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Home Missions In War Time

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Home Missions represent the aggressive effort of Christ's people to leaven the nation with the gospel. Normal efforts of the church center in the Christian home, the self-supporting church with its Sunday-school, the Christian press and associated activities. But beyond these, efforts are required to place the church where it would not otherwise be, to promote Sunday-schools where help must be provided, to introduce schools among the backward, to circulate the Bible and Christian literature extensively, and in general to go out into the highways and byways and make effective the life of Christ in the nation.

Extensive operations—more extensive than many realize—are being carried on along these lines through the home missionary agencies of the church in America. They bring the power of Christ to bear at strategic points; they are the saving leaven at work where decay would be the active agent without them.

Now war multiplies the need of this work; it means the breaking of homes, added burdens on the weak, heart anxieties, sorrows, ill-feeling, coarseness, lust, selfishness, arrested education, Sabbath desecration, shattered idealism and a severe test of faith in God.

If the nation is to come through the fiery trial of war unscathed spiritually, it will be because of the effectiveness of the home missionary forces, through which the church brings its faith to bear at the critical points of the country's life. Here are the forces that make for the righteousness which exalts the nation; here true character is bred and cultivated where it is most needed and most in danger.

It becomes the churches, therefore, to stand behind their home missionary forces in this day of testing with increased devotion and sacrifice. It is no time to let absorption in other interests, or even devotion to other calls for help, cripple the fundamental ministries on which the virtue of the people depends. Rather let the prayer, the personal attention and the financial support needed by home missions, be increased during the period of the war and its aftermath.

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Why not use one of the fine summer Sundays for a visit to your nearest home missionary church. Give the people the cheer of your presence and a promise of help during the year in the formulating of plans and their execution.

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The summer conference season is at hand. Miss Woodbury, who is still in the West, is planning to attend the Missionary Education Movement conferences at Estes Park and Asilomar. She also expects to be present at the summer school which will be held under the direction of the Council of Women for Home Missions at Mount Hermon, California. Secretary of Missions Swartz will be, for a brief period at least, at Silver Bay, and is one of the speakers at Chautauqua. Assistant Secretary Beard is hoping to be present at Silver Bay for a part of the sessions, and he will also attend the summer school at East Northfield, Massachusetts, July 18 to 24.

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The officers of this Society have traveled very extensively of late in the interests of the home mission cause. General Secretary Burton, during the spring months, visited the State Conferences in Michigan, South Dakota, and Kansas, and also met with the brethren in Minnesota. Secretary of Missions Swartz has made an extended tour in Oklahoma and Texas, going as far south as El Paso, while Miss Woodberry has been speaking in the churches in Iowa, Minnesota, Michigan, Illinois, and Colorado, for some three months.

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If all the churches of the denomination could measure up to the standard set by Superintendent Ricker and the churches of the Central South field, Congregationalism would surely be in the ascendancy. Note Mr. Ricker's report, for 1916: "Although we are duly humble in regard to the things we have not done during the year, yet we are thankful that in the matter of accessions to membership of home missionary churches, we can make as good a showing as we do. The per cent of accessions to membership in Oklahoma was twelve; in Texas twenty-four and one-tenth, and in Louisiana twenty-eight and eight-tenths. In Oklahoma the proportion to membership was one in eight; in Texas one in four; in Louisiana one in three and a half. The per cent for the district was about seventeen."

"RURAL HYPHENATED RECREATION—RE-CREATION"

By Rev. Harry A. Beadle, Pomfret Center, Conn.

THE millennium has not come in Pomfret, nor have all the human problems of a country town been solved; but miles between different sections of the town, far distances between individuals and between "sets" and "ists" have shrunken, more people are friends, and a spirit of aimless, vagrant "don't care" is less prevalent.

The churches, next to the homes, have been, and still are, the most important institutions in the town, and we welcome no agency as a community asset which does not support and supplement their work. The Neighborhood Association is such an asset, for it has accomplished encouraging results in promoting "moral, physical, intellectual, and social uplift."

The townspeople, in modest homes, wrestle with the soil; or, in great houses with special names, wrestle with numerous servants, indoors and in costly gardens. Differences in nationality and disparity in claims to money, learning, and cosmopolitanism have fostered artificial distinctions and have made neighborliness an affair of altitudes, measured by polished manners and polished stones, rather than an affair of latitude and longtiude, guaged by the Golden Rule.

Away from home, country stores and post-offices were the nearest approach to respectable places to spend evenings with congenial companions. What more natural than that some of the young people, industrious in the sunlight, should become aimless and reckless at nightfall?

Such conditions forced the fevered social consciousness of a few earnest people to embody itself in an association bent on betterment. Twelve directors were elected, each director to have charge of the work for a month. So far as possible, people who really cared, and who represented separated neighborhoods and different "sets," were chosen. Unfortunate selections here would have meant a very serious crippling.

An idle hall, centrally located, was secured and at once opened up two nights a week—Saturday night especially being stressed to make the social attractions of the home town more desirable than those of the nearby city to the large number of young men who were hunting

CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME—ONE OF THE WISE MEN

diversion on that night. The more general practice of good order and good will was the community's response.

Questions of what to do were answered by consulting current interests and social needs. The list of very varied activities is too long to detail: Socials, with and without "eats;" lectures, some illustrated, on nature study, travel, home economics, agriculture; readings; current events hours; dances; card parties; debates; musicals; contests in oratory, bread making; beautifying home dooryards; Memorial Day and Fourth of July celebrations; rolling

A PAGEANT—"THE PILGRIMS APPROACH"

bandages and folding sponges for hospitals across the sea and other Red Cross work; living productions of great paintings; once a reception to newly-elected members of the general assembly before they left for the state capitol; twice receptions to young people leaving town, a "swat-the-fly" campaign; the public discussion of fire protection, glee club and orchestra, classes in basket making, in designing, in common-school branches for foreigners, and a woman's exchange, open Saturday afternoons for the sale of fancy work and food.

An annual autumn festival has been held, at which have been exhibited and sold the best products of farms, orchards, and flower gardens; also pastry, canned fruits, and fancy work. Written work from town schools has been displayed. Prizes have been awarded for the best compositions on assigned topics, and the compositions have been read at some publicly-announced hour during the day. Athletic contests are a part of such days, and lunches are sold.

The two hundredth anniversary of the founding of the town was the occasion of a pageant, carried out with equal eagerness by English, French, Irish, Swedes, Italians, Greeks, Indians, Finns, and native Americans, old and young. It was worth the price of admission to see a town voluntarily and happily engaged in a common undertaking. Many from surrounding towns paid the fee and called the pageant worth while because of its beauty and display of dramatic ability.

The crowning feature of each year's work has been a pantomime, "Holy Night," presented a night or two before Christmas. It is an hour when the "community heart" has full sway. Social distinctions and differences of tongue are forgotten. All hearts are one, as thoughts and feelings are gently mastered by the

wonderful story—old yet ever new.

The high social significance of the occasion is realized when one considers who the participants are, and that for a little time they are very close to each other as reverent students in the school of Christ.

One year the part of Mary was taken by a domestic, an Italian farm hand impersonated Joseph, and other parts were taken by postmaster, plumber, mail carrier, farm laborers, artists, waitresses, and high school pupils.

The pantomime will enrich the Christmas joy and deepen the hold of the Christ spirit on any community that will undertake its presentation reverently and with sufficient preparation. Its beauty and power are in its spirit and simplicity.

Carols are sung by the audience. Much is made of the Bible story of the nativity, read by an elocutionist visiting in town, or by an Episcopal clergyman. All lights, except those on the stage, are put out, and while an orchestra or violin and piano play "Holy Night" softly and continuously, four scenes are presented. The Angel of the Annunciation appears to Mary; angels appear to shepherds gathered about a fagot fire; Mary and Joseph appear about a manger, bright because in it the imagination is able to picture the Light of the World reposing.

It is a moment of suppressed excitement when through the darkness the shepherds with lanterns and dog approach the manger around which Mary and Joseph are still waiting, and with eager and reverent eyes look down upon the Holy Child. At last, as the shepherds step from the manger, gift-laden wise men appear. Their prostrate obeisance is the final touch needed to sweep away the centuries and to make participants and audience alike, sharers in the world's surest and sublimest joy.

The occasion is one of deep religious feeling. Instead of a passive, pleasant willingness to be enter-

JULY FOURTH—FIFTY-YARD DASH

tained, the spirit is one of reverence and worship. Once again, the Christ-joy is in people's hearts, and they are moved with a great longing for the Christ new born within themselves.

The Association now has its own home, dancing pavilion, and piano. Money has been raised by membership fees of one dollar, by sales of food and fancy work through the woman's exchange, and by popular subscription. Little by little the mortgage is being paid off.

Friends have made gifts of furniture, pictures, books, and silverware. Talented guests have willingly given professional services. Ventures in using idle energies among our own people have discovered hidden abilities that have been set to work as valuable community servants. To summarize, the Association has become a responsible, respected, central agency, close to the needs of the community, and working

With God for all,
With all for God;
Our best for the worst,
From the worst their best;
Something for everyone,
Everyone for something.

A CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH IN A SOUTHERN MILL TOWN

By Rev. James E. Higginbotham, Albemarle, N. C.

I AM told that Albemarle is a typical Southern cotton-mill town, possibly a little above the average of such towns. It is the first place of the kind in which I have had the privilege of living and ministering. It is situated in the Piedmont section, about forty miles east of Charlotte and thirty miles south of Salisbury, two historic little cities well known in colonial days. Including the portion of the population which is not in the corporation, there are about ten thousand people in the place.

In some respects it is greatly to the advantage of the mill owners, as well as the employees, that they live outside of the corporation. There are more than three thousand people on the payrolls. The majority of the families are very large and they live in small houses.

As I go through the various departments of the mills, my heart aches to see so many little boys and girls at work when they ought to be in school. Too many serious questions are involved to allow this phase of the situation to be dismissed from our minds without careful consideration. The wages paid are so very small, and the cost of the necessaries of life so very high, that if bills are to be met from month to month, it does seem that the children must work. Then, too, there are a number of widows who must depend upon their children for support. In many instances the circumstances are very pathetic. The mill operators take a special interest in their help. They have built comfortable houses for them, and these houses have electric lights and city water. They employ a district nurse, whose time is devoted to visiting and prescribing for the sick. They have also employed a policeman who sees that sanitary laws are observed. Through the efforts of the mill owners twenty competent teachers are in the schools for eight months each year, whereas the public school money would provide school facilities for four months only. This year another large modern brick school building is being erected at a cost of $50,000. There is a compulsory school law in this state, but how can it be enforced under existing conditions? There are at least five hundred boys and girls at work in the mills who ought to be in school. But a boy of twelve can do as much work as a man in many

departments. The company pays the boy from fifty to seventy-five cents per day, while it would have to give a man from a dollar to a dollar and a quarter a day. I am wondering what the effect will be on all parties concerned when the child labor law is enforced.

These people almost invariably marry young, and if they live to be forty years of age they usually have a house full of children. Statistics show that seventeen per cent. of the men in this county can neither read nor write, and I have no doubt that this condition is much worse among the women. I have estimated that about ninety-eight per cent. of the population are native-born American Highlanders. Probably some of them are descendants of the French Huguenots. They have been sadly neglected. When I took charge of the church here, some two years ago, I found many of the young people of the church and Sunday-school could not read. I organized a night school for four nights of the week, from seven until nine. Only those who had to work in the mills during the day were admitted. The fathers and mothers of a number of families joined with the young people, so great was their anxiety to learn to read and write. We used Webster's old blue-back spelling book, one I thought had gone out of print more than forty years ago.

We had a fine time. Some of the overseers in the mill joined our class. After making definite plans for the night school, one Sunday morning I announced from the pulpit that we would begin the next night at seven o'clock. A goodly number came, and we went to work. I found the work intensely interesting for many reasons. In the first place, I like to teach, and in the second, the real need appealed to me so strongly that I felt as though I had found my element and the right place in which to expend my energy. These young people work eleven hours during the day, and they are very tired and sleepy when night comes, but at the end of a month there was a marked improvement in many respects. Our church building is small, with a seating capacity of about three hundred. We had no desks and no equipment, and, under the circumstances, I think we did remarkably well.

A few months later the need of moonlight schools was agitated, and I was elected chairman of the moonlight schools committee for Stanley County. Something has been accomplished in the rural districts, but thus far little has been done in the town. When little boys and girls begin to work in the cotton mills they lose all interest in school, if they ever had any, and it is very hard to get them to come back to school work and continue long enough to do any good.

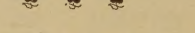
I have been pastor and minister in a railroad town, two school towns, a country community, a city, and now in a cotton-mill town. It may not seem possible, but there is a similarity in the work in all these fields. The cotton mill people, as a class, are continually on the go, moving both mind and body. Many of them are continually moving from place to place, trying in vain to better their condition. The majority of them act just like so many children. This is perhaps not to be wondered at when one remembers that laborers have little more responsibility than the machines with which they work. When such conditions prevail for six days of the week, it is scarcely to be wondered at that people are in the same frame of mind when they attend church on Sunday. Promises are made recklessly, with no intention of keeping them. This holds good in financial matters as well as in moral and religious affairs. They have never learned to give systematically towards the support of the church, and, of course, that is a process which must take time. This is my reason for maintaining that under such conditions a home missionary pastor

should be placed on the same plane as the foreign missionary, having a living salary guaranteed, so that he may be relieved of financial anxiety which often becomes a burden too heavy to carry. The pastor must often be misunderstood and forced to stand in his own light when he is compelled to talk so much to these poor people about money. They have never been accustomed to pay the preacher for his services.

Cotton mill people rarely take much pride in their homes. Many mothers leave their children in the care of a neighbor or some other irresponsible person in order to work in the mill. The children appear to be bright and they learn rapidly during the short time we are able to keep them in the school room. As soon as they go into the mills and work eleven hours a day, they become pale and stupid. It is a very common thing for these young people to have lung trouble. I believe that this state ranks among the first in the number of consumptives per thousand in the population. This is probably due to the fact that there are so many cotton mills in the state. Let it be remembered that I am describing the mill section of Albemarle, and not the well-to-do, enterprising people who are largely in the majority. The greater number of my church members receive only one dollar per day in wages. Prices here are higher than was the case on any previous field I have served. After paying their bills, how can these people possibly have anything left with which to pay their pastor or their incidental church expenses? If any man is seeking an opportunity to do good, let him go to a Southern cotton-mill town. The people are responsive to the simple gospel message when it is presented to them in a way that appeals to their emotional nature. They find a big revival meeting once or twice a year necessary to keep them from backsliding. It is indeed a peculiar situation, but I have found very little difficulty in adapting myself to the conditions. The people are teachable, loyal, kind-hearted, hospitable, and generous. I have, however, also found them sensitive, suspicious, and superstitious.

At Sunday-school we often have an attendance that taxes the capacity of the building. I am told that it is the largest Sunday-school of our denomination in the state, and yet there are a great many more children who should be in Sunday-school whom we can not get to attend. One of our greatest needs is competent teachers.

We are all rejoicing in the fact that we have at last paid the long-standing debt on the church building. It was not very large, but it taxed our limited resources to the utmost.



KEEPING APPOINTMENTS ON THE FRONTIER

By Rev. Theodore Jorgensen, Strool, S. D.

HOME missionary preaching out here on the frontier is entirely different from the preaching I had been accustomed to do in older parts of the country. I had come to think that a big church with stained glass windows and a pipe organ behind me were necessary accessories. I have found that I was mistaken. Preaching may be done without any of these things except the people.

I had come to enjoy the decorum in my former church. There were no children with a desire to be heard also, and there were ushers at the door to see that no stray dog should offend by his presence. My first service in this locality was held in a little schoolhouse, and there were present about twenty grown people and about as many children of all ages. The situation was entirely different from anything I had ever en-

countered before. It seemed as if the little folks all wanted to be heard at the same time, and I did my best not to be worsted in the contest. One little two-year-old, a fine little fellow indeed, toddled off from his mother, and before I realized the situation he was embracing my knee with great enjoyment. This did not distract the older people in the least, and I have never since noticed the children. Whether they were less restless after that first day, or whether I became accustomed to them, I am not quite able to say.

I make an effort to visit some six points once a month if I can possibly do so. Two of these are little sod schoolhouses, two are frame schoolhouses, one is a small church, and the sixth is the chapel of Thrall Academy. I find that the people in most of these places are fairly faithful attendants at the church services.

My mission field is located in what is usually regarded as the arid area. Nevertheless, our greatest hindrances in traveling about the country are the heavy rains and the deep snows. Bridges are as yet very scarce in this new country and the fording of the streams after a heavy rain, or in the spring, sometimes has its inconveniences, to say the least. It is also occasionally the cause of a lonely congregation waiting in vain for the arrival of the preacher.

Last spring when the winter was breaking up, and the trails were becoming good in spots, I sent word to one of my congregations which I had not visited for five months that I would be with them for a service on the following Sunday. Accordingly I started out bright and early, expecting to visit a man who lived along the way. Everything went along well. My Ford did its best, and my hopes of reaching my appointment mounted high. About five miles from home, I reached Rabbit Creek, which I had to cross, and there was no bridge. The stream looked a little more angry than usual, but I knew that the bottom was firm, so in I plunged. In the middle of the stream the engine gave an ominous sputter and a sudden stop. There I was in twenty feet of knee-deep, icy water, and with only light shoes on my feet. I tried by stepping out on the front spring to start the engine again, twirling my arm to the elbow in the water, but the machine gave no sign of life. A heavy ice floe was just then coming down the stream, and I wondered what it might do to me in the position I was then in. I made a sudden dash to reach a more secure place on the seat, and was about half way to this fancied security when the floe struck the hind wheels of the car with a jar that sent me about six feet nearer land and left me there to my own meditations.

I shrank from the thought of putting my still dry and comparatively warm feet into the cold water, and it occured to me to try a little of my Union Seminary vocal training upon the desert air. I sent a long, clear call up the bank in the direction of the nearest human habitation, and then awaited results. In fifteen minutes my friend Charles Phillips appeared on the bank above, with a good saddle horse and a long rope, and I was soon sailing out dry shod.

It was now eleven o'clock, but I felt sure of reaching my friend Mr. Hinds and the congregation at Magdalene by three. In certainty and enthusiasm I even invited Mr. and Mrs. Phillips to ride with me down to Mr. Hinds' place and visit there while I rode on to my appointment. A few minutes later we were on the way.

When we were about half the distance to Vernal our progress was interrupted by a deep draw filled with melting snow. We looked for a way around it, but found none. Teams had been able to pass through it the week before, but the snow was softer now. There was nothing to do but acknowledge defeat and turn back, or else plunge in and push through. There was still time for me

to reach my waiting congregation, but there was no time for any dinner.

We started off again and this time in a great hurry. Within a mile of Mr. Hinds' place, as ill luck would have it, we had to go through a gate where the mud was soft and six inches deep. Again there was no escape. Again we plunged in and went through. But that was all. The Ford seemed to have lost heart. The engine was lively enough, but the wheels refused to turn. We fixed and doctored and tinkered, but to no avail. Talk about balking mules! They are not in it with a balky Ford.

Mrs. Phillips went on to the house and reported our mishap, and about the time we decided the battle was lost and had washed our grimy hands in a rill, we decided to go to the house, where we found a very welcome dinner awaiting us. That night Mr. Hinds hauled us ten miles back to the Phillips place in a big lumber wagon, drawn by two mighty grays. The Ford, badly dejected, followed behind.

How long that congregation waited I never learned. When I made Magdalene again a month later the above incident had been forgotten. This time everything went well until I got within five and three-quarters miles of Magdalene, when the car refused to make the plunge. So I walked to my appointment and left the Ford to its own devices until I got back after the service.

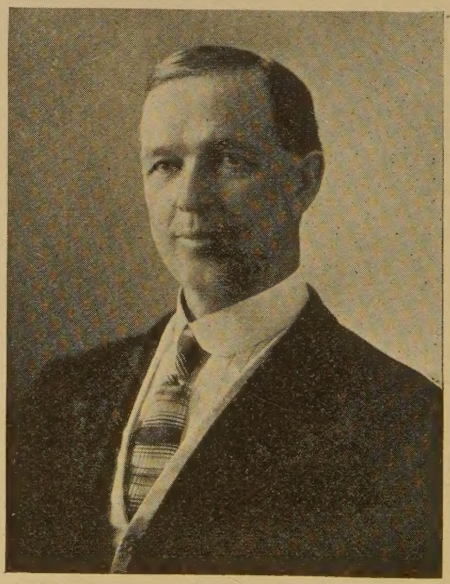
THE GOSPEL NAVY'S NEW COMMANDER

By Assistant Superintendent George B. Waldron

THE May issue of THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY contained some of the latest facts as to the marvelous development of the lower "finger tip" of Florida. So pressing are the spiritual needs in the midst of this frontier material development that the Florida superintendent is to have a special helper in that region. The Home Missionary Society and the Sunday-School Society have commissioned Dr. Charles E. Enlow, of Winter Park, as general missionary, or pastor-at-large, from June 1.

Dr. Enlow is a native of Illinois. His mother died when he was only eight years old, and the boy worked for his board and clothes until he was eighteen. Then, having saved seventy-five dollars, he put into operation a long-cherished plan for education which carried him through Hillsdale Academy and College. During his first term in school he was converted to Christ, and at once realized his call to the gospel ministry. After spending some time in Oberlin College and Theological Seminary, he took his degree of B. D. at Chicago Theological Seminary in 1891.

His first pastorate began at the



REV. CHARLES E. ENLOW, M. D.

time of his marriage to Miss Susan

M. Remer, a convert of his first revival meetings and a charter member of his first organized church, a work undertaken during his summer vacation from the Seminary. During

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his first pastorate he served two churches for several years. Afterward, because of failing voice, he taught in Kingfisher College and did editorial work. Believing his public career at an end, he entered Hahnemann Medical College in Chicago, and was graduated as class valedictorian in 1899.

For fourteen years Dr. Enlow practiced medicine in Illinois, acting as pastor toward the end of that period. Five years ago, finding his voice restored, he sold his practice, removed to Florida, and took the pastorate at Winter Park, the home of our Rollins College. His church releases him with extreme reluctance, but they recognize the importance of the new work.

Dr. Enlow's parish will extend from Stuart along the east coast to Miami and below; thence west across Lake Okeechobee. He will make his headquarters at Miami. Among his many duties, he will have charge of the work of the Florida Gospel Navy, of which he has become the new "Captain." Here he succeeds "Captain" Neil P. McQuarrie, from its beginning, and for eight years, the head of this unique activity. Mr. McQuarrie, at his own request, and by call of the churches, becomes the general missionary evangelist of the Southeast, covering the entire territory under Superintendent Hopkins. He began his new work in South Carolina on April 1, and will give a proportionate amount of time to the churches in each of the states.

The Home Missionary Society and the Sunday-School Society each pay one-half of Dr. Enlow's salary. But the expenses for the Florida Gospel Navy and for himself, while prosecuting the work, will fall to the field and to friends, old and new. The Christian Endeavor Societies connected with the Florida Congregational churches have voted to make Dr. Enlow and the Florida Gospel Navy one of their three main objects

WHERE HUNTING IS GOOD

of denominational gifts this year. Other friends are asked to rally to the aid of this new and amazing opportunity at the "finger tip" of Florida.

FINDING HIS REWARD

By Rev. J. G. Dickey, Dickinson, N. D.

IT is not often that one is overburdened with friends, but that is what seems to have happened to our zealous missionary, Rev. L. B. Hardy, of Mercer County, North Dakota. I say of Mercer County, for that is the smallest portion of land that will bound his whereabouts, and I should have added a good share of Dunn County, for he has organized two churches there.

Mr. Hardy came to Mercer County in the search for health which had deserted him in his nine years of work with the Baptists in Montana. He took a homestead and went to farming. But the call of the church was too strong to be neglected, and he began preaching here and there in the villages springing up along the survey of the branch now known as the Kildeer Branch of the Northern Pacific Railway. Within five years these towns have become the centers of a good trade. Catholic and foreign-speaking Lutheran churches have sprung up, fine school buildings may be seen all along the line, and all the varied activities and needs that come from such beginnings have appeared. Our Congregational work already had a nucleus at one point, our Societies having done some volunteer pioneering among the earliest settlers, and nothing was more natural than that our Superintendent, always awake to new possibilities, should enlist Mr. Hardy among our workers. The missionary aid made it possible to keep a team for the express purpose of traveling far and wide on Sundays, as well as for any special calls that were sure to be received sooner or later.

Christian in purpose, unafraid of work, eager to lend a helping hand, wanting the best for his own family and for all his friends and neighbors, with a level head and a strong sense of humor, and like charity not seeking his own, it is no wonder that the community came to look on Mr. Hardy as their friend and to call on him for all sorts of advice and aid. His experiences would fill a book. For thirty-five miles along the road he organized Sunday-schools in every town, preached regularly in five of them every two weeks, month after month. His first organization was at Beulah, the second at Halliday, and the third at Dodge. On one occasion he was called thirty-five miles to the banks of the Missouri to attend a funeral in the family of one of the former members of the Beulah church, and upon the earnest solicitation of the people he returned to the place thereafter every two weeks. This effort finally resulted in a Sunday-school and church at Stanton.

In the meantime all the Beulah Americans had removed and that work was allowed to rest for about two years. Halliday had grown strong, and the congregation had secured a pastor of their own. The Apostolic Faith people had broken into the work in Golden Valley, making any sane consolidation impossible and causing our pastor many heartaches. But Mr. Hardy went right on. He was chosen justice of the peace, and his fair dealing made Christianity a living fact before the people. He was made United States commissioner, and the people of the countryside came to him with any difficulties regarding their farms. At last his friends insisted that he should run for county judge in a county controlled largely by German Russians. In this he was defeated. As clerk of the school board he helped to establish high standards, not only for his own local district but outside of it.

When his four-year-old son was crushed to death in a terrible accident, and the only pastor within reach could not speak the English language, Mr. Hardy himself made the funeral address and said the words of commitment, showing so

profound a faith in his Father's love, that all who knew the circumstances were drawn closer to the great heart of God.

And now that Beulah, with a new organization, is coming again into active work, the burden has grown too heavy for one pair of shoulders. But no one field wishes to leave Mr. Hardy to the others. He says it is well that all his friends do not expect him to buy them Christmas presents.

May God send us the right man to take up the work on this part of the field! May He lay the salvation of these communities upon the hearts of any missionaries who have not the overwhelming desire to reach out for the unchurched! Mr. Hardy's record must certainly prove an inspiration to help in the Kingdom. In five years he has organized four churches, all bearing splendid fruit. He has organized six Sunday-schools, and reorganized them as they ebbed and flowed. Through his efforts three church buildings, and, possibly, a third, are assured for this summer. We will not enlarge on the strong sympathy and Christian interest he has shown in everything that relates to these communities nor of the thousands of miles of driving for the Master's sake. Surely in the knowledge of work well and faithfully done Mr. Hardy is finding his reward. Knowing the shortness of missionary funds, and realizing the absolute need for another man to handle Beulah and Zep, he said, "Take my $200 aid and give it to the right man. I can get along. I never went hungry yet."

One Sunday during a rousing meeting in the moving picture hall in Beulah, I noticed a fine bass voice somewhere in the audience, but could not be certain as to the owner. After the service some said, "Did you notice how splendidly that Indian sang?" I had noticed the Indian, a Ree, a wealthy young man, who was in town with his wife and baby for medical treatment, but I had failed to connect him and the voice. At the evening service he sat next to the front seat on my left, and I asked him if he would sing the verses of a hymn in which all could join in the chorus. He assented without hesitation and chose, "I need Thee every hour." It was the keynote to a successful, worshipful hour, and helped greatly in bringing together the group for organization. This was completed a short time ago.

The accompanying illustration of Medora was taken at the time of the opening of the Little Missouri River bridge last summer. This unique county-seat village has a history unparalleled among "cow towns." Madame De-Mores, of France, whose husband once ran a large ranch there, and who still owns thousands of acres in "Badlands" along the river, erected and keeps up a small Catholic church in which services are occasionally held. This is all the religious service these people have except when we are able to be with them, which is very infrequently. A splendid audience greeted me there on a week night not long since, and the Sunday-school is to be reopened before long. With several fine lignite mines in operation and the county seat assured for a time at least, we hope to do more for them, and perhaps we can even build a house of worship this year if prices do not soar too high.

MEDORA—A "COW TOWN"

HARD RIDING IN MONTANA

By Rev. G. N. Edwards, Billings, Mont.

LAST winter was a long one in Montana. The snow lay deeply drifted on the higher elevations after an April Easter. As the roads break up with the departing snow they become deep-rutted and spongy, covered here and there with ice or water. But we have not intermitted our visits to places even remote from the railroads, if there was special work to do. A recent trip to Circle, to reopen our work, took us sixty miles, first by auto, through muddy fields and roads, then thirty miles by sleigh over a divide deep with snow, to a little town anxiously awaiting spring and a railroad.

Another trip took me thirty miles from the railroad into Lake Basin to organize a church gathered some four or six weeks earlier. This ride had a variety and interest of its own. I was expected at two p. m. on Sunday. Being occupied with other meetings until midnight on Friday, it was Saturday noon before I reached Broadview, the point of departure. I considered myself fortunate to find an automobile driver willing to take me and several others over to the Basin. Nothing had stopped him all winter. He was to start at three o'clock, but another "fare" took him sixteen miles and back first. He returned from this trip with his face and machine so bespattered with mud that he looked like a mud geyser in action, but all ready to start off again after a hasty meal.

We pounded along hopefully over a freezing road for a few miles, and then things began to happen. A tire that was near its end collapsed altogether. The driver had a new tire —in Columbus, sixty miles away. A rope secured from a farmer along the road was substituted and lasted about a mile. Barbed wire, borrowed from a convenient fence, was wound around the rim to prevent slipping. Next it was found that the crank was lost, and the engine had to be started by turning the rear wheels jacked up. Finally the engine stalled altogether, and we left the machine in the road and walked on in the night. The driver took it philosophically. We did likewise. "Queer," he said, "how everything happened at once." Every situation has its opportunities, and as I walked on with the driver, rough as he was on the surface, he soon showed an inner side which was different. Brought up by an infidel father, he had been knocking about the West since his boyhood. And yet he had the heart of a mystic. He was not content with the life he now lived, and had lately felt the call of God to a better life. It was easy to urge him to listen to that call. It was twelve o'clock when we reached the home of one of our party. The family was awakened, food was provided, and beds for four made ready in a loft.

The next morning I borrowed my host's sorrel pony to ride the remaining thirteen miles. He warned me that the animal had the habit of dashing off at a breakneck pace and was hard to hold, but he did not consider it vicious. Experience proved that the liveliness of that horse had not been overestated. His name was Scoot, but I soon forbore to mention it lest he should jump into the next county. I rejoiced that I was able to stay with him, for on his back one could not fail to reach an appointment on time. My great trouble was in getting him to stop at the proper places. When I came to my destination at a dead run, I was unable to pull him in at the barbed-wire gate. He went right through it and nearly went down. He was but slightly scratched and was quickly on his feet. I was hurt very little, and after resting for a short time with the friends whose grounds I had so uncermoniously entered, I dashed

down to the schoolhouse. Snow, muddy ground, water and fences were all one to Scoot, and we were not noticeably late at the meeting. A good audience was present, and after the sermon a fine body of people was organized into the church of the Basin. Arrangements were made for the reopening of two Sunday-schools, and for a meeting two weeks later.

After supper I started back to the home of the owner of the pony, where I hoped to find the auto driver with a renovated machine. Scoot could not bear the thought of the thirteen miles lying between him and home, and started to annihilate space at the rate of a mile a minute. Leaving behind the few possessions not securely lashed to the saddlebow. I considered myself fortunate to still be in the saddle after a four-mile straightaway. I should willingly have continued the John Gilpin race and made the journey in thirteen minutes, but I began to feel the effects of such rapid travel, and decided it would be best to trot gently the rest of the distance. I had made up my mind that no matter what I lost on the trip, the horse was not going to lose me. I spent the night with Scoot's owner, and next morning I went on in the auto of a friendly neighbor. I moved with great care for four days afterward. I have no hard feelings toward Scoot. He would satisfy the greatest lover of speed in the country, and in this mechanical age it is worth while to know that there is one horse in existence with more dynamic energy than any mere engine could stand up under. I hope the staying powers and progressiveness of that church will not fall short of those of the horse that took me to it.

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HOME MISSION STUDY FOR 1917-'18

The general textbook for home mission study for the season of 1917-'18 is "Sons of Italy." by Rev. Antonio Mangano, A. M. Rarely have the churches been presented with a more captivating theme; never has the material for study been placed before the churches in so fascinating a form. The author, a graduate of Brown University and the orator of his class, now dean of the Italian Collegiate Institute of Colgate University, himself a son of Italy, has brought to this work a knowledge of the Italian gained by personal experiences in the homeland as well as in America.

The book is cast in story form and cannot fail to challenge at once the interest of the child and the sober thought of the adult. If you do not join a study class, do not fail to read the book. Write to us for a copy. The price is forty cents in paper and sixty cents in cloth.

The Congregational Home Missionary Society is planning to be of service to those who will want to know what the Congregational denomination is doing among the Italians in this country, and who will be seeking aid in the formulation of plans for local work. Among the helps which will be available by early fall are:

1. A manual outlining the work which the various denominations are now doing and containing valuable statistical tables.

2. A manual published by this Society will sketch in more detail the part of Congregationalism in the evangelization of the Italian.

3. Specialists on the Italian problem will present in leaflet form the results of their efforts.

4. A lecture dealing exclusively with the Italian question will be added to our list of stereopticon sets.

All this material, and probably more of a supplementary nature, will be available by early fall. Let us make this year memorable by our advance in the solution of the Italian problem.

The woman's textbook, "Mission-

ary Milestones," has been written by Mrs. Margaret R. Seebach, and is a study of the Reformation in its influences on civil and religious liberty and home mission activities in America. The book is designed to coincide with the celebration in 1917 of the four hundredth anniversary of the Reformation in Europe. It also tells the story of American religious pioneers and of epoch-making American missionaries. The history concludes with thumb-nail sketches of more modern home mission workers. A Teachers' Supplement will provide suggestions for programs and class work.

Inasmuch as the Congregational Supplement, for use with the interdenominational course of homeland study, received a cordial welcome from our constituents this past year, another is in preparation for this course. It is expected to be ready for the July conferences, and may be purchased at this office, and probably through the women's organizations, for fifteen cents.

The author of the junior book, "Bearers of the Torch," is Miss Katharine R. Crowell. This tells the story of Martin Luther and his great work of translating the Bible, thus "Lighting the Torch" for the world. There is a glimpse of the days of the fifteenth century, telling of the inventions of Copernicus and Gutenberg and the discoveries of Columbus and others, all of which made possible the passing on of "The Torch." A Manual for Leaders, prepared by Miss Applegarth, will suggest programs and topics for additional study.

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A STIMULUS TO FAITH

By Rev. John C. Blackman, Pompey's Pillar, Montana

WHEN I consider how well our services were maintained and supported during the winter months, in spite of the severe weather, I am greatly surprised and pleased. Some of my parishioners drove seven miles through the extreme cold to attend divine worship, and one family, consisting of a widower and his three young children, living about two and a half miles from one of the preaching stations, rarely missed a service. Pompey's Pillar seems to have maintained a large average of attendance and interest.

Our church organization at that place, following a number of accessions at the close of last quarter, and acting upon the suggestion previously made to purchase a town-site lot and buy the unused public-school building, bought the lot, the total cost to be one hundred and sixty-five dollars, made the first payment to the Government, securing the school building for a consideration of one hundred and fifty dollars. The latter was moved at a cost of approximately one hundred dollars, and the people are now looking forward to the construction of a large basement —larger than the present church building—which will serve the needs of this growing community. We are considering a basement that will afford club rooms for the young men and boys, opportunity for indoor games and sports, besides being adequate for the social and cultural needs of the town and surrounding country. It is estimated that the cost of such a building will be about one thousand dollars, and in order to make this plan effective it will be necessary to appeal to the Church Building Society. We have been worshiping in the new building since the middle of January, although as yet we have not been able to entirely renovate the room and get the necessary furniture and equipment. As soon as we know definitely what is to be done with regard to the basement, we will proceed to fit up the room properly.

Some time ago we held a community church banquet in the new building, and about one hundred and twenty-five persons crowded into the room, although the weather was very stormy and unfavorable. After an excellent supper, served by the ladies of the community, under the leadership of one of our members, a musical program, and a toast by the chairman of the church building committee, an appeal was made for money for the lot, the building, and the moving expenses, with the result that two hundred and eighty-eight dollars was immediately subscribed. The ladies of the church realized over fifty dollars from the supper. It is hoped that by means of a thorough canvass of the community it will be possible to raise five hundred dollars more toward the basement.

It is interesting to note that both Custer and Anita are planning for some kind of a church building adapted to their particular needs. Before the year is over, both communities will undoubtedly have buildings of their own. Unquestionably, they will need some outside assistance, but a church edifice is sorely wanted to serve the varied needs of these rapidly-developing places.

I have just completed my first year of service on this broad missionary circuit. It has been a singularly fruitful year in many respects. I am glad to be able to count twenty-four accessions to the working forces of our churches, and I am laboring to reach some fourteen people who are hopeful. "The field is indeed white unto the harvest." Sunday-schools have been revived, encouraged, and guided in three of the fields, and a Christian Endeavor Society is about to organize at Pompey's Pillar. The attendance has not been unusual at any one of the points, although the preaching services at Pompey's Pillar have had enthusiastic support. This place has the distinction of being able to pay its pastor one month in advance. This deserves honorable mention. The financial status of the other points is not so encouraging.

I am also glad to be able to commend the spirit of the Sunday groups that "go up unto the house of the Lord." It has been a great stimulus to faith and consecrated endeavor to stand before the earnest folk who gather to pray and praise. I have never felt more encouragement to continue to do the work of a humble servant of the Master than has been given me by these plain people of the open country. They call out the very best that is in a man.

And finally I am glad to be able to say that the out-of-door life and ministry have been of wonderful benefit to my health. It has been like coming aside and resting awhile and becoming invigorated for more service. I have felt a renewal in mind, body and spirit. Truly the call of these fields has appeared to be the call of God.

One year ago I looked forward into new and untried fields with hope and promise. To-day I still look forward, with disappointments behind me, to be sure, and with a more intimate knowledge of the conditions obtaining in all of the fields in the background, but none the less with hope and promise. I intend to go forward with these communities, to help them, if I may, to achieve somewhat of the destiny that is theirs through vision, consecration, and cooperation. It is a glorious prospect. I am glad I can count on God's unsuspected resources.

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Let us lift up the slogan, from river to sea;
To Americans all let it say—
One call, as it throbs o'er the land of the free—
"Our Country God's Country" for aye!

On prairies, down valleys where great rivers run,
And far, where the mountains rise gray,
Ring it on to the land of the westering sun—
"Our Country God's Country" for aye!

A TALE OF THE DAYS

A FINANCIAL RECORD

I want the readers of "The American Missionary" to know that we have had a good season and that our church has sent to missions this year two hundred and twenty-nine dollars. Eighty-five dollars of this amount went to the Home Missionary Society, thirty-eight to the American Board, seven to the Woman's Boards, nineteen to the American Missionary Association, eighteen to the Church Building Society, thirteen to the Education Society, seven to the Sunday-School and Publishing Society, five to the Board of Ministerial Relief, seventeen to Brother Moncol's church, ten to Brother Kovac's church, five to the American Bible Society, and five to the American Tract Society. In addition, we have paid one hundred and five dollars for our furnace in the church, and about thirty-five dollars for other expenses. All this was collected from the people since September 1, except sixty-five dollars which was donated for missions by the various organizations in the church. We have some money left from the collection for the furnace and so forth, which has gone into the church treasury.

A. J. GAVLIK.

Duquesne, Pa.

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THE TRAIL OF THE NORSEMAN

There are nine families in Clintonville which belong to our church. Most of the children have grown up and have gone away to seek employment. There are four other families who are interested in our work, but as yet they are not members of the church. An automobile factory has started up in the town within the last two years, and it is our hope that a number of our young people will find employment there. Indeed, some have already done so. Perhaps in the future our young folks will be able to find work in their own home town. Two Scandinavian boys from a distance are employed in this factory, and they attend our Sunday morning services. I think it likely that some Scandivanian families will move into town before long.

Navarino is a farming settlement. There are eight families in the place who belong to our church. The people attend the meetings faithfully, and I am very glad to drive eleven miles the third Sunday in each month to minister to them, even though a fellow does get two frozen fingers and is unable to get his report in on time. There is an English-speaking family who send their children to the Sunday-school, so we use both the Swedish and English languages. A few weeks ago one of our former pupils began work as a teacher, and we believe she will give us valuable assistance.

Our meetings at Wittenberg are perhaps better attended than at any other point where I hold services. There are only seven families who belong to the church, but a great many people come to the meetings. There are many young people here, and I consider the work very promising. Our Sunday-school has not been very well attended, but the majority of the people live about two and a half miles from the church, and it is hard for the children to travel this distance in winter. We are planning to open Sunday-schools in three different places, but it is difficult to find the proper teachers.

As a whole, things are most encouraging. First, we have the people to minister unto. Second, we look for reinforcements in the places where there are a number of young folks. We feel sure that this work for the Lord is not in vain.

M. C. HOLMES.

Clintonville, Wis.

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OF INTEREST TO BIBLE STUDENTS

We accomplished a most unusual thing this quarter. We have a normal class for young men, and after about four months of hard work on the part of the members, we finished the first course of lessons on Bible instruction. Five of the young men passed good examinations, and were then given subjects on which to write. It would surprise you to hear what they had really learned in so short a time. We then prepared a graduation service. We sent out printed invitations, and our efforts were crowned with success. One hundred and eighty-six of their friends came to hear the young men speak. This served as an inspiration to take up the next course of study, and the new class is also doing well.

Our people, young and old, are always ready for social gatherings which are often held at our home. The Church Building Society is coming to our aid and a loan of five hundred dollars for the improvement of our parsonage has been made. This will help us greatly in carrying on a work that must be done here, and can best be done in our home. When the Building Society helps erect the Cuban church we will have the people to fill it. Among the latest additions to our church is a family of influence and good standing, and the effect is likely to be very beneficial.

OTTO J. SCHEIBE.

West Tampa, Fla.

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THE SPIRIT OF '76

After my return to my field this season it seemed to me that the work moved

slowly. There were only about thirty-five or fifty people in our congregations until about Thanksgiving time. Then the tourist element returned, and we now have about one hundred persons in attendance every Sunday. This tourist problem is a problem indeed. The majority of them are people of limited means. All of them have obligations to meet in their home churches. I use every possible method in order to secure some return from them for what they enjoy in the way of church privileges while they are with us, which in many cases is more than half the year.

On the occasion of our golden wedding we received a present of a victrola, and as the choir was demoralized for some six weeks owing to illness in the family of the leader, I took the machine to church several Sundays and it afforded us choice music. Then my people failed to heed my expressed wish that no presents should be given us on this occasion, but made up a purse of forty dollars. This came not from the church alone, but from members of the community outside of the church. I at once invested the money in a stereopticon, and we are now using slides nearly every Sunday evening in connection with our Christian Endeavor. As there has never been anything of this kind in our movieless town, our attendance on Sunday evening has increased about two hundred per cent. Meanwhile, the people are obtaining missionary information galore. I am rather old to enter upon the show business, but the mayor of the city is a handy fellow and he has learned to run the stereopticon. So far we have had very successful, and, I think, valuable evenings, and we are planning for more. This is a movement established by one who has the spirit of '76, as I was born in 1840.

J. G. Merrill.

Lake Helen, Fla.

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A SERMON FOR EACH FAMILY

The first months of this year will long be remembered as a part of one of the severest winters ever known in the state of Wyoming. Storm after storm, with continued high winds, made it almost impossible for the people in a country community to get out of the house.

I went to my country appointment at the regular time in January. It snowed all day long, and of course no one came. One of the leading members suggested to me that the services be discontinued until about the first of April and then taken up again. I consulted Superintendent Gray about the matter, and the plan met with his approval. But it did not seem right to leave the church with no service and no religious care at all, and I hit upon the plan of sending a short typewritten sermon to each family on the date when I should have held services at the church they attended. I have had no intimation as to how these written sermons were received, but I endeavored to make them helpful and practical. I sincerely hope that there will be some results from my efforts.

Robert F. Paxton.

Wheatland, Wyo.

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WANTED—A FORD

I believe that an account of our work will be of interest to the readers of "The American Missionary." This is the only Congregational church for foreigners in Virginia, and there are but four churches of our denomination in the entire state. There is, therefore, a large field in which to establish Congregational work among our people.

There are a number of Bohemian, Slovak, and Polish people in this vicinity, and many of them are not attending any church. Some forty miles away there is a fine colony of Slavic people who are without religious privileges of any kind. We are expecting more to move in, and we are anxious to be ready to welcome them and to serve them in every possible way. We feel that, owing to the high cost of living in the cities, many people will remove to localities where food and other necessaries are less expensive, and we want to be ready to welcome them.

We have put up a new church building since last summer. It was dedicated in December, 1916, and is located about seven miles from the old church. We are now holding services there on the second and fourth Sunday in each month. A Sunday-school has been organized, and services are held regularly, with an attendance of fifty-five.

One of our reasons for building this church was that many of our members found it difficult to travel the distance to the old building every Sunday. Another was the fact that a number of farms are for sale in this section, and we are expecting many newcomers before long. It seemed to us that there was a promising future for a new church on the site which we selected.

Our field is a very large one, and more assistance is badly needed. If we could have an automobile with which to make visits and try to interest people in the work, it would be invaluable. We also need a young student to help us during the summer months.

It seems to us that this field offers as large an opportunity for the Lord's work as does any city field. We need your money and your prayers. I ask you for both.

Andrew Kovac.

Begonia, Va.

WINTER WORK IN WYOMING

The past winter was unusually severe in this section. Our first snow, which remained throughout the season, fell the last week in October. The thermometer registered thirty-eight degrees below zero several times. High winds and snowdrifts were common, and the highways were blocked, making coming to church and calling exceedingly difficult. The attendance at the Dayton church kept up quite well, except for the occasional Sundays when it was impossible to heat the church building.

Beginning with February 18, Rev. O. E. A. Blenkarn, pastor of our church at Lusk, conducted a two weeks series of revival meetings. The church was greatly benefited and several testified personally to the blessing they had received. In March I conducted a series of meetings at Lusk. This is the first attempt along this line of Christian work which has been made by either Mr. Blenkarn or myself. Pray for us that we may be led of the Spirit in this undertaking.

JAN J. LEFEBRE.

Dayton, Wyo.

IN PERIL OF SNOW BANKS IN THE WEST

My outside preaching appointment is thirty-three miles west of Craig, and it is very hard to obtain results during the months of January, February, and March, owing to the weather conditions. Let me describe a trip made on February 17. On Friday night it snowed all night and nearly all day on Saturday, which made the ride of thirty-three miles a very disagreeable one. Services were held on Sunday morning, but owing to the snowstorm none could be held at night. The return trip was the most severe I have ever experienced. There was a terrific wind and the roads were blocked. I was eleven hours on the way. For thirteen miles I could hardly see the road, and for twelve miles the horses had to walk every step of the way. A path had to be shoveled through snowdrifts seven feet deep. I was eleven hours making the journey, and I reached home very late, exceedingly cold and completely worn out.

HORACE MANN.

Craig, Colo.

NEW LITERATURE

WE take pleasure in announcing that a number of new leaflets and reprints from magazine articles are now ready for distribution. We ask for them as wide a reading as possible. All will be sent free upon request. Address the Publication Department of The Congregational Home Missionary Society, 287 Fourth Avenue, New York.

"A Church's Approach to Its Italian Neighbors." By Rev. Philip M. Rose. A description of the work among Italians which is being done by Davenport Church, New Haven, Connecticut. Mr. Rose has made special preparation for this work, having spent considerable time in Italy with the idea in view of working among the people of this nationality in this country.

"Salients on a Rural Front." By Rev. William D. Barnes, of Osceola, New York. All Congregationalists who have read "A Summer 'Drive' on a Rural Field" will be delighted with Mr. Barnes' latest leaflet, which tells what a country church can accomplish, not only for its own members, but for the Kingdom of God.

"An Afternoon With Miss Perkins." By Marion Dallas. Requests for stories have been received in such large numbers that we are heartily glad to be able to state that two new ones have been prepared. This little tale of how the discouraged treasurer of a home missionary society finally collected the yearly dues of the members, is very interesting, and we bespeak for it a wide reading.

"Waiting for Water." Another story, prepared by Rev. Frank L. Moore, Superintendent of our missionary work in Colorado and Utah. Mr. Moore, who knows the trials of the Western homesteader through long and uninterrupted acquaintance with them, tells how irrigation finally solved the problems of one frontier family.

"The Churches at the Trade Center." By Rev. Arthur E. Holt, of Fort Worth, Texas. For various reasons the publication of this leaflet has been long delayed, but it is now on our shelves, and we cordially recommend it as one of the most interesting tracts on the rural question that has been prepared of late.

"Solving the City Problem." By Rev. Paul B. Blanshard. An account of the work of Maverick Church, East Boston, Massachusetts. An abridged reprint of the article which appeared in the March number of "The American Missionary."

"Home Missions in the Southland." edited by Assistant Superintendent Waldron. A compilation of the material which was published in the May issue of this magazine.

THE TREASURY

THE CONGREGATIONAL HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

MONTHLY COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

1917		GIFTS FROM THE LIVING					LEGACIES
		Contributions	From State Societies	Total	Paid State Societies	Net Available for National Work	
FOR THE MONTH OF MAY	Av'ge four previous yrs.	$ 7,318.39	$ 3,119.70	$ 10,438 09	$ 1,399.47	$ 9,038.62	$ 15,029.55
	Present year	7,412.71	3,403.87	10,816.58	2,277.51	8.539.07	8,117.17
	Increase	$ 94.32	$ 284.17	$ 378.49	$ 878.04	.....	.....
	Decrease	.....	.....	.....	.....	$ 499.55	$ 6,912.38
FOR TWO MONTHS FROM APRIL 1	Av'ge four previous yrs.	$13,688.07	$ 4,367.84	$18,055.91	$ 7,295.42	$ 10.760.49	$ 30.700.98
	Present year	16,677.24	5,682.09	22,359.33	8.040.63	14.318.70	22.277.02
	Increase	$ 2,989.17	$ 1,314.25	$ 4,303 42	$ 745.21	$ 3,558.21	.....
	Decrease	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$ 8,423.96

The Congregational Home Missionary Society has three main sources of income. Legacies furnish, though very irregularly, approximately forty-eight per cent., or $120,000 annually. To avoid fluctuation, when more is received, it is placed in the Legacy Equalization Fund. Investments furnish nine per cent., or about $22,000 annually. Contributions from churches, societies and individuals afford substantially forty-three per cent., or $108,000 annually. For all but eighteen states the treasurer of The Congregational Home Missionary Society receives and expends these contributions. In those eighteen states, affiliated organizations administer home missionary work in co-operation with The Congregational Home Missionary Society. Each of these organizations forwards a percentage of its undesignated receipts to the national treasury. To each of these the national treasury forwards a percentage of undesignated contributions from each state respectively. The percentages to The Congregational Home Missionary Society in the various states are as follows:

California (North), 5; California (South), 5; Connecticut, 60; Illinois, 25; Iowa, 25; Kansas, 5; Maine, 10; Massachusetts, 33 1-3; Michigan, 15; Minnesota, 5; Missouri, 5; Nebraska, 5; New Hampshire, 50; New York, 10; Ohio, 13; Rhode Island, 20; Vermont, 32; Washington, 8; Wisconsin, 10.

"The cry from Europe has seemed especially urgent just now, and we have thought our home missionaries were in no danger of starvation like the Armenians." This is the explanation which one giver makes for the failure of the ordinary contributions for home missions. If all givers of all denominations should withhold their gifts to home missions and give the money to relief many hungry mouths could be fed; if all givers to other benevolences and charities in America would do the same thing, probably few, if any, would actually starve in consequence, and many more could be fed abroad; and if there should be added to this, all that is given for Christian work in foreign fields, the withholding of which would not mean that anyone would starve, still more suffering could be relieved. Surely rich America wants to feed the hungry, but just as surely she has other pockets than those of home missionaries and foreign missionaries from which to take the money. The increased cost of living adds enough to their burdens. One writes, "The terrific high cost of living is one of our problems, shared we know by people everywhere; bread, fifteen cents a small loaf, and flour only sold in very small quantities at enormous prices; sugar we have given up for the present, and potatoes are more than a luxury, but as one good woman puts it, 'You missionaries have the best of it after all, for you are trained to economies and know how to save.'"

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Dr. L. C. Warner, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the A. M. A., has returned from a visit to the Sandwich Islands. "The Friend" published at Honolulu in an appreciative recognition instances numerous addresses, and conferences made during his stay greatly to the satisfaction of the people in Honolulu, saying, "Dr. Warner's vacation as he spent it in Honolulu would be a good example of industry to the average man." But Dr. Warner has always been generous in manifold benevolent and philanthropic activities, and his missionary observations and studies in different parts of the world have made his personal knowledge to be of great value to the churches.

The very many friends of Secretary Ryder will be glad to know that he is recuperating hopefully from his severe illness and to the great joy of his associates.

On April 14th last, Plymouth Congregational Church, Charleston, South Carolina, celebrated its fiftieth anniversary with a week of services. This church was the first Negro Congregational church to be organized in the South, and so bears the distinction of being the pioneer church among the colored people in this section of the country. The anniversary sermon was preached by Rev. George E. Paddock, D. D., pastor of the Circular Congregational Church, from which the original members of Plymouth Church came with their letters fifty years ago.

A Southern newspaper furnishes the following figures showing the extreme inequality in the distribution of school funds in the State of Georgia. The white population is given at 1,431,812 and the colored at 1,176,987. The amount expended on white schools in the year 1913-1914 was $2,825,588 and on colored schools $492,906. From these figures it is seen that the colored population is a little more than 82.2 per cent of the white, while the funds spent on colored schools are a little less than 17.5 per cent of the amount for the white schools.

President Holmes of Tougaloo College, Miss., has joined heartily in the campaign for surplus food crops, and has given a pledge to the students that those who return to their homes at the close of the session and go to work in the fields will be permitted to pay their tuition next year in corn, beans, peas, or any other foodstuff that can be utilized at the institution. All of the college acreage now in cultivation has been planted in foodstuffs, and a force of fifteen workers will till these crops during the summer months. Fifty students have pledged to thus work in the fields.

The white man's prejudice is the colored man's burden. It is not always a conspiracy of the passions. Neither is it an "inherent baseness." It is more an inheritance or result of environment. "We inherit not life only," said an eminent Scotchman, "but all the garniture and form of life; and work and speak and even think and feel as our fathers and primeval grandfathers from the beginning have given to us." But come in whatever way it has come to many American people, it has come to be their own worst enemy; it has set itself as an insuperable hindrance to both their intelligence and integrity. Accompanied with contemptuous disdain, it has expressed itself in the persecution of the whole colored race. But the world has never witnessed such exhibition of patience under persecution as has been exhibited by the slaves and the sons of the slaves in this country. When reviled they reviled not again. With them patience has been a matter of religion. Driven from the State they have turned to the Church for recognition and encouragement. They have not been disappointed.

—Bishop Camphor.

"Mrs. Booker T. Washington, a Congregationalist and a graduate of an American Missionary Association college—Fisk University—expressed aptly what the average colored person thinks of Congregationalists when she told of speaking at a mothers' meeting in the country when an old colored woman who knew her very well, said, "Here's Mrs. Washington, she's a good woman, but she hain't got a bit o' 'ligion." It is hard for untrained negroes to think of religion in terms of moral, self-controlled lives expressing themselves in social service; they associate religion with church going, "getting happy," and shouting. We had one instance of the latter during the Communion service the Sunday of the convention, when an old sister, (I am sure she was not a Congregationalist), threw up her hands, jumped up, and screamed several times. This was an eloquent contrast between the educated and the uneducated negro, but I am glad to say it is a rare thing to have any such excitement in our Talladega chapel."

H. G. Wells, an English socialist and author of "The Future in America," studiously looking into the Southland at the Negro and his destiny declared that he could not get "even the beginnings of answer." One thing was clear to him, i. e., the chief obstacle is not in the black man but in the white. How shall this same proud white man educate himself to live in honor with the weaker people? "Whatever America has to show in heroic

living to-day, I doubt if she can show anything finer than the quality of resolve, the steadfast effort, black and colored men are making to-day to live blamelessly, honorably, and patiently, getting for themselves what scraps of refinement, learning, and beauty they may, keeping their hold on a civilization they are begrudged and denied." Mr. Wells is a man of science and letters, but those who know the South better than he, realize the progress and power of the spirit of brotherhood toward a solution, slow but gaining.

LeMOYNE NORMAL INSTITUTE, MEMPHIS, TENN.

Andrew J. Steele, A. M., Principal Emeritus

From 1873 to 1908, principal of Le Moyne Normal School at Memphis; retirement from service, and after nine years return to Memphis and Le Moyne on a visit, is mine to relate. Time and the perspective it furnishes are essential to a balanced judgment concerning any great movement.

Race migrations from one region to another are not uncommon in the past history of a restless, striving world. Quite unique among such phenomena was the movement of the Negro westward across the Atlantic. The weakest, most unorganized, most undeveloped of races was brought under the absolute control and into the most intimate relations with the strongest, most highly developed races, possessed of the language of the highest culture; of the most restless and aggressive energy, professing the Christian religion, in the forefront of the world's civilization. To-day we are seeing the results, tasting the fruits, bitter and sweet, of this mighty sowing. In the language of the trenches, we are organizing and strengthening the positions won and leveling the positions unsuited to the farther advance of our lines.

This may seem like a long digression; it is short when compared with the mighty stretch of time and events which it purports to traverse, and it brings us back to the American Missionary Association in the South, to its vast influence and achievement, not only for the colored people, but for the entire Southland and the Nation, for civilization and world progress, for the Kingdom of God. It brings us back to Le Moyne School as it has stood and wrought through the forty-five years of its existence, from its lowly beginnings in 1872 to the very fine and dignified showing of its graduating class of twenty-five young men and women at the close of the present school year. It is a story long to recount even in briefest outline, a story of unsurpassed self-sacrifice and devotion on the part of the hundreds of workers, a part or the whole of whose lives has been devoted to carrying on the work of the school; of sacrifice and of faith on the part of thousands who have given of their means in support of the work.

Le Moyne School, built and opened in 1872, was the first building erected in West Tennessee for the education of colored children. Schools there had been, but they were held in churches, barracks, or hired buildings, even in brush arbors. The city of Memphis erected its first building for this purpose in 1875.

Le Moyne School was the first to begin industrial work, first sewing, and then cooking for the girls; the first to introduce hand and industrial training, wood working and printing. It started the first library open to colored people and in the early years before the idea had become general it sent out to rural schools its traveling libraries. Its library, now adopted by the city library as a branch, and supported by city funds, is one of the best school and community libraries that I know of any where, comprising close on to 10,000 volumes, splendidly administered by the school, and widely read by Memphis colored people. One of the finest if not the **very** finest influences and achievements by the school. The first noonday lunch room was operated at Le Moyne School many years ago; it has been self supporting from the first, furnishing an excellent and nourishing mid day lunch at a cost of 5c to the children. To crown the entire work for all these years, the prevailing tone and influence of Le Moyne School has been distinctly, intelligently religious, and few pupils have remained for any length of time in its twelve years' course without yielding heart and life in allegiance to Christ. The influence of the work in this respect has been deep and powerful upon all the church and religious life of Memphis and surrounding territory.

The Le Moyne of the present? Well, I find it in a fine substantial building occupying an ample and beautiful site in a most eligible situation for its work. I find it full to overflowing with pupils from the kindergarten to the 12th year of its training. It has an earnest and devoted corps of teachers and is doing an increasingly valuable and important work extending over a wide territory contingent to Memphis reaching into four states. Having in mind my own 35 years of service here, I am gratified beyond power of words to express with what I have seen and heard in going about the school and community. The class of the present year, one of the largest if not the largest ever sent out, and I think from my knowledge and observation one of the very best, is sure to prove a strong leavening and steadying influence in the community. The class of the next year will be the banner class, in size at least, numbering now 52 students quite sure to be in their places at the beginning of the next session.

All this I hear some one say is good, yea, yea! Is there no negative, no nay, nay to the story? Sadly, I must say in closing there is a nay, nay! The fine building on its splendid, commanding site is uncompleted and so quite inadequate to accommodate the number that press for admission. Its equipment is seriously defective, hindering and weakening the best efforts of its devoted principal and teachers. I have come for a couple of weeks to Le Moyne to assist in the collection of funds for the completion of the building, finely planned and adapted to its work, and for a more adequate equipment. The effort has been I think, successful, and I conclude it in an earnest plea that the work be begun at once. In all the needy years of its history, the school has never more needed nor ever more merited support and strengthening by the Association. It must suffer

loss if this help is withheld or delayed. The school is strongly entrenched in the appreciation and love of its 500 graduates, who stand strong and loyally behind its work and influence, never more so than at this time, and the school and its work were never so kindly regarded nor more favorably spoken of by the better class of white people than now. I find in this respect no dissenting note or voice. Its future usefulness is assured. The opportunity and, therefore, the need of its service never were greater.

Thirty-five years, all the effective working strength of my life, stand represented, as small portion of this great work, with this gratefully in mind I plead for the immediate completion of its building and for its better equipment.

TEACHERS' LETTERS FROM THE FIELD

SALUDA SEMINARY, SALUDA, N. C.

Emma L. Reed

Saluda is surrounded by natural beauty. The altitude makes it a desirable spot from a physical standpoint. The Seminary gives prestige by way of intellectual advantage; the churches give spiritual tone; and the railway facilities, over the "Southern," are an additional asset; situated at the head of the steepest grade east of the Rockies, all trains must stop, and thus people from the Southern lowlands have been invited to build summer homes here, and each year more are persuaded to spend winters also, among the mountains. Just so has Saluda grown, to be a village of three or four hundred during the winter or school months, and in summer to number as many thousands. City water, sewerage, concrete walks and electric lights have been added to the natural attractions. All these have become a benefit to the school, which was itself the first calling card of the place.

Those of you who have been born and reared in a state with educational advantages, realize but slightly the hindrances that handicap advanced education in the southern states, where it is only recently that a law could be found upon the statute books in regard to provisional educational advantages; heretofore private and mission schools have been expected to furnish all necessary knowledge to lift the people to higher living and fit them for a more useful life.

The Seminary seeks to educate the youth along these lines, and is ever mindful that man is of a threefold nature; mental, physical, and spiritual, all needing cultivation, to make him the man his Maker would have him be. This requires money as well as much time and energy. So there are many necessities in the way of equipment, such as a sanitary home in which to house the students, modern furnishings, that a touch of home life may be given; for many come from the small two roomed cottage, where only bare necessities are to be found. Nature has been so kind and generous with her artistic beauty from every view point in the

open, that no time or thought has been spent on the inside of the home; thus it is that these mountain people have become children of nature, uncultured as the wild flower of field, wood or mountain side. Nevertheless, under these conditions you are wont to find bright young people, more often with little taste and less inclination to study books than otherwise . Often an incentive must be held out in attractive form, that they may catch a vision, to get the highest and best out of self. Sometimes parents are indifferent and loth to let their children leave home, though all responsibility may be assumed by others. Then again a boy or girl having caught the vision somehow, lacks material means to strengthen faith in his or her own ability. These obstacles must be removed in some way by missionary teachers to create within the pupil a desire to possess the knowledge he so much admires in others.

So, after all, problems upon the home field are much the same as upon the foreign; for at home or abroad human nature is very much the same. The Master said, "I lay down my life for my sheep," so must it ever be the personal touch that wins. The need the world over is for more of the Master's love to shine bright and clear through His servants.

DORCHESTER ACADEMY, McINTOSH, GA.

Ina Hopkin Lewis

It is surprising and wonderful to see how these people are fired with the ambition to educate their young people. At **any** and **every** sacrifice the children are sent to school.

One old mother, a little slave girl of seven when freedom was declared, told me that she had raised fourteen "head" herself and everyone went through Dorchester Academy. There were years, she said, when she lined up ten at a time and when the bell rang marched them up to school while she and the father went into the field to work until dark. This fall she entered in school five grandchildren whose father, her son, had died and left them to her care. "I can't read myself," she said to me, "but no chile ob mine gwine be raised without book sense." It is such families as these that you can help with your donations of clothing. They can get enough to eat but we must help to clothe them if they stay in school.

I wish I might tell you of the real beauty of character, the faith, and wisdom we find in some of these people; here and there an old slave who has, as it were, been tried as by fire, shows a faith that puts us to shame. One of them said to me not long ago, "Dorchester was done planted dar by de hand on God, and no small wind gwine blow it by," and we believe it. It is not always so, however. Some of our boys and girls come to us out of surroundings where poverty and ignorance have done their worst. We have then to teach these little children not only "book sense," but the first rudiments of law, order, cleanliness, politeness, kindness, and consideration of others. They need so much,

these little black folks; clothing, feeding, teaching, training and not least of all loving. Many of them know nothing of the tendernesses and beauties, and often little of the decencies of life. When added to our overwhelming desire to relieve the present need of these little ones we remember that we are training future citizens for **our own** country, the work assumes mighty proportions.

After we have stretched every resource and taken all sorts of produce and labor in lieu of cash for tuition, there are still crowds of these little children who cannot be in school because there is no way to cover their tuition. Four to six dollars will pay the tuition of a boy or girl for one year, a year which may be the turning point in his life, a year which may implant in him such ideals and ambitions that he will be lifted out of a life of ignorance and vice to a clean, wholesome, industrious manhood.

TALLADEGA COLLEGE, ALA.

Clara M. Standish

I wish you might have been present at our annual Negro Pastors' Institute recently held. Usually the pastors of rural churches come, but this year because of the serious conditions on the farms the farmers from the county were also invited. They came in large numbers and many brought their wives. A few of them were well dressed and prosperous looking, but the majority showed the effects of their recent misfortunes. Some of the women wore men's hats and one girl appeared in a sweeping cap. Some wore aprons and one woman wore a gay cotton table cover for a shawl.

Usually at this time of year when spring work is pressing, few would have come, but this spring they came because they realized their need and hoped to find some way out of their difficulties. Last summer heavy floods destroyed their crops and the boll weevil made cotton raising b the usual methods impossible. In the winter many of them were unable to get advances of "something to go upon," i. e., provisions from the bankers and merchants because they were tenants and owned no property, and so starvation stared them in the face. This is the primary reason for the great migration to the North. Every day carloads of Negroes are leaving for Northern cities and as a result in some sections of Alabama hundreds of square miles of good farm lands are lying idle because there is no one to work it. In some cases, mules and cows are dying for lack of food. Last year's hay has been sold to buy food for the families. Of course, bad methods of farming are responsible for much of the distress, and the people are so ignorant that they did not listen to their advisers a few years ago when they began to tell them how to prepare for the coming of the boll weevil.

A person who has never been in the South cannot picture the miserable condition of the average Negro tenant farmer. He lives in the barest kind of an unpainted two room shack, perhaps a half mile from a

road, has to bring all his water from some spring, has nothing but beds and a few chairs in the house, never sits down to a decent table, his food is chiefly fat pork and soggy corn bread, his wife and children work in the fields all day, and his rude hut is merely a place to exist in.

At the end of the season, a settlement is made and often the tenant is in debt to the landlord, or at least the landlord tells him that he is, and he knows no better than to believe him. The legal rate of interest is eight per cent but often the tenant has to pay it twice over. The majority of the Negroes who are going North are of this class, but recently many of the better class are going. Some are leaving because they do not wish to mortgage their homes to buy food to keep them till fall, and some are selling their farms at a great sacrifice; a very foolish thing to do.

These men go from deeper reasons than merely financial ones. Some are beginning to see the injustice to which they are subjected. One old Negro said that the young people are not going to stand what their fathers have stood. Wages for domestic service are very poor. An intelligent woman rose in the meeting and said that she worked four years for $4.00 a month for the white people before her eyes were opened. Another said that she scrubbed a floor and all the pay she received was two biscuits. In one case, a laundress asked for 25 cents a week more for work in view of the higher cost of living and the white lady sent back the message, "What do you mean by sending back that big word?" The woman was afraid to say anything more, and soon her husband left for the North hoping to better the condition of the family.

One preacher said, "There was a time when if you gave the colored man a good church house to worship in and a preacher of magnetism he used to be happy. But now his unfair treatment in the courts, his fear of being lynched, his poor schools, poor homes, and poor wages have made him discontented." The same man reported that in March, 1916, his collections from his three churches amounted to $80.00 while in March, 1917, he received less than $10.00. Most of his people have gone North and those who are left are too poor to contribute anything.

One of our graduates, a woman who is doing a remarkable work as teacher of a model rural school, sounded a key note when she said, "It is time the Negro thought more about his mind and less about his stomach. The migration to many is an opportunity such as has never come since emancipation. It means that fair play in business, justice in the courts, and better educational opportunities must be given the Negro by the white South." The South needs the Negro and is doing all it can to keep him here, and many of the best Southerners are beginning to see that the Negro must be treated as a man and a citizen. A good white friend of the Negro, a trustee of Talladega College, said that he believed that the time is coming when the Negro will be allowed to vote, and even to sit on a jury. This will be a long step forward toward justice, and if this really comes to pass it will be ample compensation for all the suffering and death

attending the exodus of a people from a warm climate to the hardships and exposure of a Northern winter.

The college served a free lunch to the hungry multitude and their appreciation of it was touching. Experts were present to tell the farmers how to improve their conditions and everyone went away benefited by coming. The whole gathering was a striking example of the confidence which the community has in the college.

TALLADEGA COLLEGE

MRS. GRACE B. HERNANDEZ, MARQUEZ, NEW MEXICO

The Marquez mission school is our newest one in New Mexico as well as the most remote and inaccessible. It is about forty miles from the railroad and the wagon roads are very bad.

We have mail (carried on horseback) three times per week. The nearest doctor is forty miles away and to find a dentist, druggist, blacksmith, dressmaker, etc., one must travel sixty miles. There is absolute ignorance and neglect of sanitation and the climate is cold and windy. The difficulties of transportation make it hard to get suitable food from outside and the people here raise very little except corn, beans, and chile (red pepper). For these reasons the school suffered last year and the year before from interruptions caused by the illnesses of the teachers.

A word about sanitation—or the lack of it. The water for drinking and cooking in our village comes through open ditches, running through streets and barn yards to open holes near the houses where it lies stagnant and exposed to contamination. Few houses have screens; barns and outhouses are built very near the dwellings, so the

swarms of flies can be imagined. Houses are poorly ventilated, and water and fresh air are tabooed in sickness. Thus you see they are 50 or 100 years behind times. I will tell you of some of their queer beliefs and remedies. Fresh raw liver bound to the throat is used in diphtheria; revenue stamps from tobacco bags pasted on forehead and temples or slices of raw potato used in the same way for headache. A little girl who had nose-bleed was cured by inserting a written prayer under her upper lip and making the sign of the cross with wet salt on the back of the neck; but her mother said it only stoped it for a while and the hemorrhage began again. They believe in the "evil eye," a superstition hard to explain. It seems that some people are born with this (shall I call it curse?) so that whatever they gaze on in admiration will wither and die, or be destroyed in some way even though they wish no harm.

Those who think they have "evil eye" spit on the person or object which inspires their admiration, to counteract the spell. Many times, I have been surprised to have an old woman spit in the face of my babies and turn to me with the apology that her eye was very bad and would harm the lovely child unless she used the counter charm.

People also believe in witches and have many charms against them; persons named Juan or Juana exert a very great influence over witches and their spells. Another queer belief is that the skulls of Navajo Indians cry out when rain falls because their owners were not baptized while alive.

I think that missions are needed here. I wish each station could have a supply of medicines and each teacher some knowledge of their use and of nursing. That we had time, room, and equipment for a recreation room. Oh, so much is needed, and we need to know so many things more than I know!

Some years ago a Roman Catholic priest said to my brother, who was also a missionary in this part of our country, "Why do you waste strength and money trying to elevate these people? My church has been working among them for 300 years and you see the pitiable condition in which they remain. It is useless" My brother replied, "Friend, if after we Protestants have spent 300 years working for these people, we see no better results than you can show, I think we shall quit." We have not been working one-sixth of that time, but we have seen conditions greatly improved and while the improvement is slow we are not yet ready to give up. We need your prayers; this work needs your support. I am sure these will be liberally granted.

RIO GRANDE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL, ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

Henriette L. Heyman

The Rio Grande Industrial School began its work on October 10, 1908. It was transferred to the American Missionary Association on October, 1917. For many years, the workers in our day schools had felt the need of an industrial boarding school to which the more promising of their

pupils might be sent for an entire change of environment and for training as leaders among their own people. Under the auspices of the Congregational Education Society, a campaign for funds was conducted. Consecrated workers were sent to our churches, telling of the need of our Mexican boys and girls. Their appeal met with a noble response, and as soon as enough funds were in view to warrant it the work was begun.

A ranch of 160 acres, located five miles south of Albuquerque, adjacent to the Santa Fe Railroad on the east and bounded by the Rio Grande on the west, was purchased.

Since then, seven good buildings have been added: Heald Hall with two school rooms, two teachers' rooms, and boys' dormitories; a principal's cottage; an industrial shop for boys; a model dairy house; a good dairy barn; a girls' dormitory, and a small root cellar.

During the nine school years now completed, some 400 pupils have been enrolled, 11 pupils have graduated from our eighth grade, and 4 of these have completed the work of our ninth grade.

In two phases the work undertaken by our school is pioneer work; first with respect to co-education, our school is the only mission school in the state that has ventured to admit both boys and girls. Our Mexican parents had to be convinced that this could be done successfully; those who have entrusted their daughters to us now stand ready to recommend our school to other parents for their girls.

Then again our course puts a large emphasis on industrial work. Here also the Mexican mind had to be convinced that it is advantageous to the youth to learn to work with his hands. To the Mexican mind education means to a large extent enough knowledge to insure freedom from hard work. At first there was real objection on the part of our students to some of the work required by our schedule but real progress has been made in correcting their erroneous views. Our pupils have learned that while they need all the intellectual training they can get they also need that training which will fit them for practical work and to be leaders in the development of their own state.

From the beginning, it was plain that ways and means must be devised by which many of our pupils could be given an opportunity to earn their way through school, as a large number of our students are too poor to pay in money, and to give them everything outright is more often detrimental than helpful. During the past year, experiments in canning garden products have been carried on with the result that a well equipped canning department has been installed. This furnishes work for a number of students during the summer and the canned product finds a ready market. This turns the work of the pupils into profit for the institution and at the same time gives them an opportunity to earn in a self-respecting way the scholarships which must be procured for them.

The success of our work must ever be judged by the character of our pupils, and we can point with pride to some of our boys and girls who have gone out from our school after several years of training.

Two of our boys are holding responsible positions in business houses, and have been promoted repeatedly. Two are teachers in rural public schools; both have directed pupils to our school, thus giving tangible evidence of their own appreciation of it. Two, one a girl, the other a boy, have gone on to higher schools to continue their education. One has just completed her second year as teacher in one of our mission day schools. She came to us as a little ten year old girl eight years ago and remained with us to complete the ninth grade work. Through her influence, her two younger sisters, and a younger brother have come to Rio Grande Industrial School. A splendid, wholesome girl and a sincere Christian, she is devoted to her little Mexican pupils and has an unfailing sympathy for her people that will inspire many of them to make an effort for better things. She hopes to be able to continue her own education in order to fit herself for greater service.

One of our graduates of two years ago is now the youngest member of our school faculty. He has entire charge of our dairy department, superintends all the work connected with it, keeps careful records of its cost and supply based on scientific tests. In addition, he markets the surplus product, and assists with the farm work. He has already made a record for himself, and his ability and sterling character have won for him the respect of all who know him. These are samples and examples of work in New Mexico.

Great as is the need of the Mexican youth of intellectual and industrial training, far greater is his need of moral and religious training. The twisted morals and perverted religious ideas of our pupils reveal to us as nothing else could do the failure of the religious teachings which have been presented to the rank and file of our Mexican people. After three hundred years of almost undisputed sway over our people, Catholicism here has but produced followers who need the pure Gospel of Jesus Christ as much as the most benighted heathen of the most remote foreign field.

WHY SOME NEGROES GO NORTH

The City Council of Meridian, Miss., stated that in view of the fact that the General Fund was seven thousand dollars short they could not grant us the forty dollars per month for three months as we requested, but they would give us fifteen. The schools were ordered closed a month early because of this shortage, but the teachers decided to teach gratis to make the term complete. After this, we received a letter from the Council stating that they had held a meeting rescinding their former action to give us the fifteen dollars per month. The fact was brought to light during the discussion of plans for the continuation of the schools that the city spent yearly for the education of white children **sixty-nine thousand dollars,** and for the colored schools nine thousand; that the city spent one half as much for janitors in the white schools, as they spend for all teachers in the colored schools. We may also state that there are as many Negro children of school age as whites. This is our problem which is greatly complicated by the fact that the white people have so benumbed the sense of desire in the Negro that he has not wanted very much. Gradually the Negro is beginning to want more, and he is going North to get it. Negroes are leaving the South now some say at the rate of 5000 a day.

THE A. M. A. TREASURY

Irving C. Gaylord, Treasurer

We give below a comparative statement of the receipts for May and for the eight months of the fiscal year, to May 31st.

RECEIPTS FOR MAY

	Churches	Sunday Schools	Women's Societies	Other Societies	Y.P.S.C.E.	TOTAL	Individuals	TOTAL	From C. Ed. Soc.	Legacies	TOTAL
1916	$ 6.529 01	$ 1.192 88	$5 699 64	25.00	194.37	$13 640.90	$2 671 89	$16.312.79	.....	$ 5 808.51	$22.121.30
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RECEIPTS EIGHT MONTHS TO MAY 31

Available for Regular Appropriations:

	Churches	Sunday Schools	Women's Societies	Other Societies	Y.P.S.C.E.	TOTAL	Individuals	TOTAL	From C. Ed. Soc.	Legacies	TOTAL
1916	$ 77.541.17	$ 5.914 95	$20 7 7 98	$ 11.00	599 91	104 785.01	$5 529 51	110.314 52	.....	$40 459 71	$150 774.23
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Inc.	5 070 04	734 45	3,058 33	38 50	.....	8.900 32	....	7,495.36	7.000.00	12,095.79	26.591 15
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Designated by Contributors for Special Objects, Outside of Regular Appropriations:

	Churches	Sunday Schools	Women's Societies	Other Societies	Y. P. S. C. E.	TOTAL	Individuals	TOTAL	Legacies	TOTAL
1916..... ..	$ 4.425.96	$ 1 496 93	$ 2.754 77	212 95	$191 81	$ 9 082 42	$ 19 723 04	28.805 46	350.00	$29.155.46
1917..... ..	3.829 60	1,593 10	3,641 50	.....	175.63	9.239 83	20.424 59	29.664 42	523.00	30,187.42
Increase ..	....	96.17	886 73	..	.....	157.41	701.55	858 96	173.00	1,031.96
Decrease..	596 36	.....	.....	212 95	16.18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS EIGHT MONTHS TO MAY 31st

RECEIPTS	1915-16	1916-17	Increase	Decrease
Available for regular appropriations.....	$150.774 23	$ 177.365.38	$ 26.591.15	.....
Designated by contributors for special objects.....	29,155.46	30.187.42	1,031.96	
TOTAL RECEIPTS EIGHT MONTHS	$179,929.69	$ 207 552 80	27.623.11	....

FORM OF A BEQUEST.

"I give and bequeath the sum of dollars to "The American Missionary Association, incorporated by act of the Legislature of the State of New York." The will should be attested by three witnesses.

CONDITIONAL GIFTS.

Anticipated bequests are received on the Conditional Gift plan; the Association agreeing to pay an annual sum in semi-annual payments during the life of the donor or other designated person. For information, write The American Missionary Association.

THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH BUILDING SOCIETY

Office: 287 Fourth Avenue, New York
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Applications come to this Society faster than they can be responded to. The best we can do is to place a new request for aid at the foot of the long list and let it take its turn. The earlier applications have the right of way.

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A good way of remedying this compulsory delay would be for some generous-hearted people to send us large donations to meet the needs of the churches which are having a hard struggle to carry through successfully their effort to complete a house of worship or parsonage. It is in many cases a heart-breaking effort. They need our sympathy and help.

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The First Congregational Church of Salem, Michigan, lost its house of worship on June 6th, by a disastrous cyclone. Unfortunately the insurance policy included no protection against tornadoes. Everybody will sympathize with this little church in this great trial.

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The Elm Church of Plymouth, Pa., is rejoicing in its attractive new house of worship. The former building was destroyed by fire, and the blow was a severe one. But the people rallied gallantly, and after giving and sacrificing and working heroically they reached dedication day on May 13th. It was an occasion of great joy, and large congregations thronged the beautiful building. This Society is glad to have a hand in this restoration of the church plant, which includes also a renovated parsonage alongside the church edifice. They are fortunate in having as pastor the Rev. George L. Todd, formerly the superintendent of our Congregational work in Cuba, and the dedication program included his installation by council as pastor of the church.

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Our church in Herndon, Va., just escaped a similar loss by fire recently. A conflagration broke out in the village which raged fiercely and swept onward toward the church, destroying business houses and homes. Our house of worship was saved by blowing up with dynamite the house next door. The church now has the material on the ground for building a parish-house addition to its auditorium, which will equip it for Sunday School and social work very effectively.

One of our important churches in Nebraska got into deep water a little while ago. It had built a fine new house of worship, and the cost was much greater than was expected. It was beyond the ability of the church. Deep discouragement followed. But we came to the rescue, and a new prosperity has come. The pastor writes in cordial appreciation, saying, "Your aid to this church has been the means of bringing a splendid church back to a working basis. Besides clearing up the finances we have received almost fifty new members, some of the very best people in the community. This is my first pastorate, and of course with it come first impressions along every line. I must say that the Church Building Society has in my mind vindicated for itself the right to a very large place in the consideration of the church people. Its work cannot be measured by statistics if its aid does the constructive work which was done here in fifty per cent of the places aided."

WHAT HAPPENED IN CHICAGO

THE Park Manor Congregational Church in Chicago is situated in a suburban section about a mile and a half southeast of Englewood. The locality got its name from a railway station on the Pittsburg and Ft. Wayne railway when it was outside of the city limits. The city grew up to it and passed miles beyond it, and now it is a fine residential section of prosperous homes. The church was organized in 1891, but in the depression that followed the Exposition it had

PARK MANOR CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, CHICAGO, ILL.

a struggling life for some time. Its little Sunday School building was expanded into a church a dozen years ago. Later still this was remodelled and used as a gymnasium and for other social work of the church.

Three years ago the church entered with great zeal and energy upon the project of securing a new and adequate house of worship, modern in its equipment, and adapted to the varied needs of the church. They found that the neighborhood had doubled three times within five years. Their Sunday School had outgrown the quarters, and was the largest and best in the locality. First in the field they were the last to secure an up-to-date edifice. With enthusiasm and self-sacrifice they went at the task, and with the co-operation of this Society carried the enterprise through to a fine success.

The new edifice presents a pleasing aspect to the eye. The heavy buttressed walls are of reddish brown impervious brick, relieved by a liberal use of carved and moulded stone. They are surmounted by the clerestory, with its imperial shingle red tile roof. The Gothic structure lends attraction to the locality.

Entering the wide doors into a broad vestibule, one finds the Sunday School rooms and church parlors occupying the first floor. The Sunday School is a cheerful and well appointed room where four hundred people can be seated in the folding opera chairs. By rolling partitions this can be divided into smaller rooms if desired. Provision is made for women's work and the social life of the church. The old building has become an annex of the new, and here is a well appointed kitchen.

PARK MANOR CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, (INTERIOR)

From the front vestibule, broad ample stairs lead by landings to a foyer divided from the main auditorium by an eight foot glazed partition. Entering the great church room one finds a high central nave, with lower side aisles, like some of the European churches. There are no pillars to intercept the view, since great steel girders span the room. The coloring of the room is subdued

and artistic. In the recess behind the choir gallery is a fine pipe organ to sustain the chorus choir of twenty. In the great East window is a masterpiece dedicated to mothers, picturing the Master blessing little children. In this beautiful new sanctuary Pastor Frank D. Burhans gives the gospel message with telling effect.

SOMEWHERE IN MISSOURI

WE may as well tell you that the "somewhere" is the busy little city of Lebanon, Mo., where the Rev. Dr. James Hyslop, formerly our State Secretary in Michigan and later a pastor in Newport, Ky., is now the enterprising and successful pastor of our Congregational church. The altitude of the Ozark mountain region offered such health-advantages for his family, and the excellent progress of this church amid a population almost entirely American, made this field seem very attractive to this minister.

He found the church in a building which this Society had helped the church to erect in the good old days, for the organization was formed nearly fifty years ago. It had served its purpose well. Under its shelter the church had become the leading religious organization in the place.

The pastor soon found, however, that it was outgrown. The Sunday School was in quarters too cramped for its growing members. The church audience regularly overflowed into adjoining rooms. It was a question whether they should stop growing, or get into ample accommodations. Moreover the church wanted to do community work to meet the varied needs of young and old, and no building in town was equipped for such a purpose.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, LEBANON, MO.

Under the inspiring leadership of the experienced pastor it was resolved to enlarge, modernize and greatly improve the house of worship

so that it should be practically a new church. The old building was too good to throw away, and was capable of expansion. All hands rallied to the work and pushed things so vigorously that instead of spending about $6,000, as first expected, they spent about $10,000 for the improvement.

Our Dr. Sanderson was with them recently, and spoke in the transformed auditorium. He writes: "The work which Dr. Hyslop has done at Lebanon is of such exceptional worth that it commanded more than ordinary attention, and affords the finest illustration of how to reconstruct an old building into a new one that I have seen anywhere in my journeys. By placing a good basement underneath the church, extending the sides of the building so as to provide for an organ loft on one side, and on the other a fine Sunday School room; and by stuccoing the entire structure, it gives the impression of a newly constructed building throughout."

The pastor states that they are now able to do the community and institute work for young people. If they had torn down the old structure it would have cost $15,000 or $16,000 to get what has now cost them about $10,000, and they have today a property, including parsonage, valued at over $18,000. They have oversubscribed their apportionment for benevolence, and are keeping right up to the mark in everything else. Success to them in their new quarters!

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A THEATER FOR A CHURCH

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., is a most attractive and interesting city. In the extreme southern end of the state it is almost on the Georgia line. It is full of reminders of the Civil War. Lookout Mountain, with the Moccasin bend of the Tennessee river just below it, recalls the climb through the clouds of Gen. Joe Hooker and his men. Missionary Ridge and the field of Chickamauga are peaceful enough now, but they rang with the thunder of battle a half century ago. In these happier days a great prosperity has come to that section, and here is today one of our finest and most beautiful cities.

In this teeming population of fifty thousand people, there are fine public buildings, good schoolhouses, and delightful homes; for there are highly intelligent, up-to-date people there. Three years ago many of them felt a strong desire to have a free self-governing church, evangelical in faith, but at liberty to administer its own affairs without outside constraint. They accepted the words of our Lord, "One is your Master, even Christ, and all ye are brethren," and desired to stand fast in the liberty wherewith Christ had made them free. They had no wish to antagonize other churches; they would gladly co-operate with them. But they were resolved to secure the freedom of faith and action in things religious to which they felt entitled.

They discovered that such a church is a Congregational church, and represents the ideals of the Pilgrim Fathers who laid the foundations of civil and religious liberty on these shores three centuries ago. So they called for the fellowship of our Congregational churches, and organized as the "**Pilgrim Congregational Church of Chattanooga.**"

Fortunate in their pastor, Rev. Charles H. Myers, the new church began its services with congregations of four or five hundred people in the beautiful Court House, a central location easily reached. The brilliant and earnest sermons of the preacher, and the friendly spirit of the people drew great numbers. The membership increased till there are now more than two hundred and sixty communicants. The Sunday School exceeds two hundred also.

Such a church needs a home of its own. Lots were bought for the future house of worship. But an unexpected opportunity presented itself in the offer of the Bijou Theatre for sale at a greatly reduced price. Circumstances had arisen which made the owner of the property willing to dispose of it for about one-third of its cost. It had been one of the most popular places of amusement in the city. Its location was just right, being almost opposite the Court House which had been their place of meeting. It gave a chance for growth since it would seat nearly fifteen hundred people. There was room enough to develop at some later time a parish house with all the needed rooms in the space back of the rostrum. The chance was too good to be lost, and with the aid of this Society the place was purchased and became the church meeting-house.

Dedication services were held in the beautiful auditorium in May, 1916. Dr. Newell preached the dedication sermon and raised much money. Pastor Myers followed in the evening with a discourse on "The Mission of the Christian Church." Last winter a Congress of Southern Congregationalists was held in it, with a large number of delegates from all parts of the South.

PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

THE CONGREGATIONAL EDUCATION SOCIETY

FRANKLIN ACADEMY

A Real Academy That is Really Christian

A Sod-House Prayer Meeting

In a sod house, in a new settlement, in what was then a far frontier, four Christian laymen were talking together about what was the best thing they could do for the new, wide region into which they had brought their families. Some one suggested that they might ask the Heavenly Father about it. Kneeling on the earthen floor each in turn asked the Father to show them what to do.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

The Result Was FRANKLIN ACADEMY.

It's a Real Academy.

The old New England Academy transformed to fit a Western environment—a school of high standards, educationally, and dominated by the Christian spirit, with a remarkable faculty for sending its sons and daughters on into college, has no better example than Franklin Academy.

And It's Really Christian.

Franklin Academy, born out of prayer and nurtured through prayer, has been for thirty-five years a dynamic in Christian character building. It is within safe bounds to say that no fewer than fifteen hundred young people have been profoundly influenced in Franklin Academy in favor of the Christian life.

Where Is It?

It is located at Franklin, Nebraska, six miles from the Kansas line, about midway between the Missouri River and Colorado. Its immediate territory is an area of about twenty thousand square miles in Southwestern Nebraska, Northwestern Kansas and Eastern Colorado. It has been estimated that there are in this territory, no fewer than two thousand young people of high school age, **who must go away from home to attend a school of over ten grades.**

It's Reason for Being.

To provide a high grade secondary education, in a home school dominated by the Christian spirit. It

frankly confesses its desire to help in the production of good citizens of both the Kingdom of God and of the state.

Material Equipment.

It has three modest wooden buildings, set in a fine campus of fifteen acres; apparatus to suit its needs and a fine library, of 6,000 volumes unusually well selected.

Some of the Fruits of the Years.

A total enrollment of 5,000 students (2500 different individuals) of whom we have graduated 378, of whom 43 per cent have gone on to College; three foreign missionaries in Arabia, India and South America; three more now in preparation; six ministers in America; Christian teachers in schools from country schools to University, from Princeton on the East to Forest Grove on the West; Christian physicians, nurses, bankers, journalists, engineers, farmers; Christian men and women, active in a score of fields of service; a great multitude of Christian home makers—the best job on earth.

YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

Who Are They?

They have come largely from remote ranches, prairie farms and small villages. The most of them have been and are just plain Americans, with red blood and high ambitions, "**The best young people on earth,**" the large majority of them poor boys and girls who are "working their own way."

The Unique Opportunity of the Academy.

It is this. It gets the **first chance** to inspire and give direction to young people and, that too, at their most impressionable age.

Needs of Franklin Academy.

1. Twenty Thousand Dollars for a new modern central building.

2. Fifty Thousand Dollars for endowment, to make permanent its splendid work.

These may wait a little, but not long.

3. An Immediate, Pressing Need. Eight Thousand Dollars.

In three years we have paid an old debt of Ten Thousand Dollars, have paid for repairs and improvements. Three Thousand Dollars more, and we need to secure eight thousand dollars to cover current expenses for the three years ending June 1, 1917.

4. Our Greatest Need.

Franklin Academy was born out of prayer. It has been nurtured through prayer. Our greatest, most essential need is that multitudes of God's people shall pray often that God's blessing may abide upon it still. With this, all other needs can be met. Without this, nothing will avail.

An Investment.

I am asking for **an investment** on your part in an enterprise that will produce the best dividend on earth, namely, young men and women—trained, consecrated, efficient—sent out into the world to serve the Master, in numbers large enough to be decidedly worth while.

G. W. Mitchell, Principal.

THE CONGREGATIONAL SUNDAY-SCHOOL AND PUBLISHING SOCIETY

MISSIONARY AND EXTENSION DEPARTMENT
Office: 287 Fourth Ave., New York
President, Clarence F. Swift, D.D.; General Secretary, Charles Emerson Burton, D.D.; Missionary and Extension Secretary, Miles B. Fisher, D.D.; Treasurer, Charles H. Baker.

Dr. Miles B. Fisher, Extension Secretary of the Society, is spending the summer in work on the Pacific Coast, and he can be most quickly reached by addressing him at 417 Market Street, San Francisco, California. Matters of detail, however, will be attended to if directed to the office at 287 Fourth Avenue, New York.

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We commend to the reading of those interested in mission Sunday-school work, and especially to pastors, the article in this number by Superintendent Murphy on "Pastoral Supervision of Mission Schools." It touches upon one of the most vital phases of the advancement of the Church.

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Sunday-school workers will be interested in the announcement that Dr. C. E. Enlow is to do Sunday-school missionary work with the help of a power-launch in that portion of the State of Florida lying between Stuart and the north end of Lake Okeechobee, west and south to the tip of the peninsula. Much of Dr. Enlow's work will be done along the waterways of Florida, where there are many out-of-the-way communities with no other means of religious ministry.

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The receipts for May for the Sunday-school missionary work were $3,683.01 as compared with $3,932.98 last year. The weeks just preceding Children's Day constitute the dry season for the Society, consequently it will be doubly appreciated if remittances from Children's Day offerings may be made promptly to the Boston office.

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There are numerous appeals for relief which the Sunday-schools and churches of the land wish to respond to. It is the desire, however, of committees asking for relief not to interfere with the regular sources of income of the established benevolent institutions. Inadvertently appeals were made for Children's Day offerings for relief work without realizing that the Sunday-school missionary work of many of the denominations depends almost entirely upon the returns from the Children's Day offering. This is the case with the Congregational Sunday-School and Publishing Society. When this was discovered, efforts were made to change the appeal, asking for offerings on a later date. This effort is deeply appreciated by the Society. It may not be out of place, however, to say that if any of the Sunday-schools felt inclined, very naturally, to respond to those appeals for relief funds and gave their Children's Day offering to those causes, it would be the proper thing to make up to the Sunday-School Society what otherwise would have come to it, for certainly we do not wish to relinquish the effort which we are making to christianize America in this time of her severe testing by the war.

THE PASTORAL SUPERVISION OF MISSION SCHOOLS

By Rev. C. G. Murphy, D. D., Superintendent for the South Central District

According to the last Year-Book, we had over 900 mission schools with a membership of more than 35,000.

On the face of these figures, it appears that the denomination has a valuable asset in these schools. The fact that a large number of our churches have grown from mission schools shows that under wise management they may be a most valuable asset.

Here, as in most important matters, the responsibility must rest with the pastor. It has been, and must continue to be, his attitude which determines whether branch schools exist or not.

In this whole matter, one must largely speak from experience. My experience has been limited. I have had some experience, however, in nearly every phase of the subject. As pastor of a mission church for four years, I developed six branch schools. It was the possibility of such work which attracted me in the first place to the Sunday-school work. With this experience as a background, it is not strange that I adopted as a motto "A mission Sunday-school within a reachable radius of each mission church."

My experiences have brought me to these conclusions:

I. Branch Sunday-schools about mission churches are of great value if under pastoral care.

II. A mission school started in a place which gives any promise of growth must be put under pastoral care or soon be lost.

III. We should establish centers and work out from them, which is another way of building over against our own house. Here lies our first field for missionary work.

If branch or mission schools are to be maintained adjacent to churches, it can only be done through the pastor. It must be done through him, and not over him or around him. He is the door, and the man who climbs up some other way is doomed to failure.

Moreover, mission schools open an avenue for quick, substantial development of the church itself. Each mission school under pastoral care adds a neighbrohood to the parish. The adding of such communities is not a liability but an asset—an asset numerically, financially and spiritually.

If more of our churches would go out, fewer of them would go down; if more of our pastors would hear the call from the fields adjacent, fewer of them would hear the call to fields afar.

With the coming of autos, the "reachable radius" of a pastor is greatly increased; likewise, the distance is greater from which the church can draw. I know of one church which has broken up a mission school eighteen miles away because the families in that locality now have autos and prefer to come to the town. This is the best way to kill a mission school; but the connection between this community and the mission church was first made by the pastor going to them for several years.

The promotion of mission schools may become a definite feature in the Tercentenary campaign. The mission Sunday-school opens a fruitful field for additions to our churches where competition is at a minimum and open-mindedness at its best. These rural mission schools also open the richest field for recruits for life service; experience proves that from the country will come most of our life recruits. And again these schools add to our mission funds. Every dollar turned into the local budget of a mission church releases a dollar for other mission service.

The mission school opens a gold mine for the church, but it can not be operated by proxy, only by the pastor.

ON THE FRINGES

Here are a few reports from Sunday-schools in outlying districts where little or no religious service is available except that provided through these schools:

Kelso in Southern California, is a desert village of twenty houses, a small railroad division point on the Salt Lake and Los Angeles Railroad, about 250 miles northeast of Los Angeles. The nearest Sunday-school is about 100 miles away. A public school of fourteen children is conducted. Like most railroaders the people are very transitory, living in one place now, and transferred to another place next year, in all probability. Our missionary was requested by a former superintendent of another Sunday-school, who resided at Kelso, to visit and help them start a Sunday-school. He reached Kelso Saturday night and spent Sunday with the people, visiting every family. He found twenty or more men all busy with railroad work. Some of the boys were similarly hindered from attending any meeting on Sunday; even the ladies excused themselves on account of their duties. Sickness was found in two families. Naturally the attendance at the Sunday-school Gospel meeting was small, but several others promised attendance later and a Sunday-school was organized, necessary supplies being donated by the Society. No other religious service is within reach of the children. This is sowing gospel seed on the desert, but it has been known to bear good harvests from other sowings.

The next two cases are from the mountain state of Colorado:

"The Elk Head School is in a new homesteaded region, twenty miles from the railroad, in a district which is rapidly settling with people from all over the country. A large part of them coming from the Southern States are having their first taste of Congregationalism. The school is conducted by a young lawyer of Hayden, and is very well managed. It is one of the schools which are the only religious life for the whole community, and without it there would be no teaching of the Bible in public in all the region round. We hope sometime to have a prosperous church here and believe that it is a most desirable place to build up a good work.

The Dry Creek Basin School is cut off from the rest of the world by a series of great cañons tributary to the Grand Cañon of the Colorado. It is in a most beautiful ranch country and has just become an election precinct. It has no school because all the children are too young to go to school, and we furnish them Home Department supplies for the Beginners, so the mothers may have something to teach their children at home. This is the only Home Department for Beginners that I know of. It is a very useful school and is the only religious influence in as fine a community as there is anywhere."

An English helper, a lady in one of our Japanese schools in California, writes as follows:

"I became interested in the Japanese on locating here and began to inquire if some work could not be undertaken. After quite an uphill push the ball started to roll and I asked our pastor to take us under his wing. After visiting our mission, he was very glad to do so. We have had two women converted and baptized in the church this last year, one in January and one in November. The last one has gone back to Japan for a six months' visit, and has asked that we all pray for her mother's family, as she will be the only Christian in the circle. What a wonderful opportunity is hers!

We had our Christmas entertainment in Santa Rosa this season so that the Japanese there could enjoy it. About one hundred Japanese men, women and children were present, and fifty Americans."

THE CONGREGATIONAL BOARD OF MINISTERIAL RELIEF

Office: 287 Fourth Avenue, New York.
Henry A. Stimson, D.D., President; William A. Rice, D.D., Secretary; B. H. Fancher, Treasurer.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

BOARD OF MINISTERIAL RELIFE

FOR THE FIVE MONTHS ENDING MAY 31, 1916 AND 1917.

	Churches	Women's Societies	S. S. & Y. P. Soc's.	Ass'ns & Conf.	Individuals.	Net Income from End. Acct.	Total
1916	$7,103.93	$912.41	$340.60	$401.78	$4,551.68	$6,596.16	$19,912.56
1917	8,351.72	1,406.75	358.95	453.83	3,650.26	13,934.87	28,156.38
Increase	$1,247.79	$494.34	$12.35	$52.05	$.....	$7,338.71	$8,243.82
Decrease	.....	.....	.....	.....	901.42	.....	.....

In addition to the above receipts, Legacies & Conditional Gifts of $308,024.72 were received and added to the Permanent Fund during the five months ending May 31, 1917.

THE APPRECIATION OF THE PENSIONERS

Their appreciation is strikingly manifested in this quotation from a letter of one of our aged ministers, whose pension had recently been increased voluntarily by the Board. "I had to cry over that letter promising the increased pension. It took me a long time to realize fully that it was true. I praise the Lord for his goodness. You can hardly understand what this increase means to me. I shall now be able to obtain more nourishing food, articles of clothing and some furniture that I am in need of. What a burden has gone from my shoulders. This pension is my entire support, materially. My thoughts go to the Board that voted the increase. I wish they were with me now that I might speak to them and thank them for the help that they have rendered "unto one of the least of these, my brethren." There are things I would not care to show them and talk about, my crippled hands, my withered arms and swollen joints, the extreme cold weather and snow storms on the prairies, the lonesome watches of the night; but perhaps it would do me good to show them how great the need is and remind them of the blessing their far-reaching work can render. Tell them that I am, with a feeling of the deepest gratitude, thanking God for the aid from the Board of Ministerial Relief."

I feel sure that such a message from the loved ones whom the Board is serving in many of our churches, will make each one of us desire to have a part in this gracious ministry.

Since the receipt of the James Legacy, the Board has increased the maximum pension from $300 to $350 a year, but this maximum only goes to the extreme cases. For example, to those who are very aged, or very feeble, and generally where there is a husband and wife dependent on the pension. Those who get $350 need at least $500, and those who get $300 should have $400 and those who get $200 should have $300. It is in order that the Board may be able to deal more generously with these dear people, that it pleads for enlarged contributions. It is because of the great blessing that comes to us who have part in this ministry, that we plead that every member of our Con-

gregational Churches, the children in the Sunday Schools and the young people in the Endeavor Societies, may have part with us, in smoothing the steps of these 'Heroes of the Cross' who so soon shall lay down their lives and enter upon "the joys of their Lord."

THE ANNUITY FUND

The many friends of The Annuity Fund for Congregational Ministers will rejoice to know that its outlook grows more encouraging every day. There are four men in the field securing subscriptions for The Annuity Fund and part of the time, during the winter, there were five men. The fields covered by them have been in Nebraska, Kansas, South Dakota and parts of Ohio and Massachusetts. The response has been generous and the cordial spirit of interest in the cause most encouraging. It is the hope and expectation that the next meeting of the Council will give renewed support and encouragement to the work of the Annuity Board, and that the campaign for the Fund will speedily extend to all parts of the church.

Recently, there has been a fresh study of the whole subject of annuities and pensions by the Board and friends outside the Board, the outcome of which has been the confirmation of the worthiness of the plan and the safe ground for trust in its fundamental principles and final goal.

If the Council shall give to this cause the Pilgrim Memorial Fund, which it is proposed to raise in celebration of the Landing of the Pilgrims, certain changes in The Annuity Fund will be possible, these having already been approved by the Board and the Commission on Missions, subject to the securing of such a fund, which will make it possible for all our ministers, who so desire, to enter the Fund at a cost that will not in any sense be prohibitive or even overburdensome. Meanwhile, we believe that it is to the interest of all our ministers who are eligible, to seek membership in the Annuity Fund at once. It is our confident expectation that it will not be very long until it will be possible to announce a special increase in the value of the memberships.

The recent study of this subject has been so thorough and fundamental and the conclusion reached so favorable to the Annuity Fund, it would seem that all doubt concerning its reliability and availability for our ministers, as a means of providing for old age, should be removed.

We have received hundreds of commendations of the Annuity Fund, both from ministers and laymen. We quote two or three:

"If I were in the active ministry I should certainly take advantage of the Annuity Plan and urge it upon others."

"The Annuity Fund was launched at a psychological moment. We were ready to do big things at the Kansas City Meeting, and that was one of them . It is a popular institution now, and the near approach of the Tercentenary will give us the opportunity and the influence that will furnish the large invested fund, so essential in the paying of the full annuity, that would have taken otherwise, at least a generation to secure."

"I am glad that our ministers are taking hold of the Annuity scheme. It seems to me that every minister in active service should feel it a duty and a privilege to enroll himself on the list, not only for his own sake and that of his family, but also for the sake of his brethren and their families."

The Secretary in New York, or the New England Secretary, Rev. F. W. Hodgdon, 14 Beacon Street, Boston, or the Rev. F. L. Hayes, 5415 University Avenue, Chicago, Ill., or in fact

any of the men in the field will be glad to answer any questions concerning membership in The Annuity Fund.

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A WORK THAT IS NEVER FINISHED

A donor in sending a check to the Board wrote, "In the midst of so much distress abroad, we must keep up our good work in our own country." This truth needs to be emphasized over and over, more now since our own country has gone into the war, than even before. New and tremendous appeals have come to the public, but we must not forget the old work and the obligations of the Church to missions at home and abroad, to work for the children and for the aged, for the ill and the feeble. The poor we always have with us no matter how great the pressure of other things, or how large the resources that are available.

Almost every letter we are receiving now from our pensioners, makes some allusion to the high cost of living. One minister, 86, with a wife and invalid daughter dependent upon him, in his quarterly letter speaks first of "The terrible price of things."

Another writes, "It takes fully half of my pension to pay my rent, so you can imagine how two can live on the rest of it."

The Board is trying in every way possible to help the pensioners in this time of emergency and distress, having increased the amount of the pension in many cases, and making the payments very promptly, and endeavoring to help, where needed, along the line of clothing.

The hearty co-operation of the Congregational people, all of whom we believe are the friends of the old ministers, was never more needed than now. Let us not forget that the needs of these old people continue right through the summer and vacation season, and that there is no period of the year in which we can lay down this work and say it has been finished.

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A BRIEF OUTLINE OF THE LIFE OF ONE OF THE BOARD'S HONORED PENSIONERS

A brief outline of the life of one of the Board's honored pensioners:

Born June 28, 1828, now almost 89 years old. The wife of his youth is still with him. Was a city missionary in New York 1864. Was with the Boys in Blue the last year of the War. For 9 years after the War, was in the South, part of the time as County Superintendent of Education and the other part in American Missionary Association work. Was at the beginnings of Fisk and Talladega. In 1875 went to the Pacific coast where he has been on the firing line ever since. Seven years in the State of Washington. For a while the only Congregational minister in a County large enough for a state. The only means of conveyance was by foot crawling under and over logs, and an open sail boat or rowboat.

To quote his words, "I have slept on the beach waiting for the turn of the tide and once for a part of a day and night I sat astride my capsized boat. In several localities I blazed the way for better roads, houses, schools and churches. My annual salary was only $600. During all these years we practiced strenuous economy and have saved enough to keep us out of the Poorhouse and give us a decent burial **if we don't live too long.** A thoughtful provision in the shape of graded pensions for the Disabled Soldiers of the Cross would be an honor to the church and a contribution to better service."

We agree with the suggestion of this worthy veteran and the Board rejoices in the privilege of supplementing the slender income of these dear people now living beyond the allotted time of life.

THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY FEDERATION

SUMMER CONFERENCE EXPERIENCES

Throughout our Country, East and West, North and South, hundreds of the girls of our colleges and women of our churches are looking forward in eager anticipation to a week spent in some beautiful spot, sitting at the feet of great leaders, and enjoying the "goodly fellowship" of those who are working for a mighty Cause.

In September when this program topic will be used by our auxiliaries, these summer conference experiences will be but memories—memories, we trust, that will be of abiding value because they will serve as a stimulus and incentive to future action.

At this time of the Great War when our every day language has become militaristic, we may truly call these conferences summer training camps for service in the army of our Master. How many of the readers of these pages are planning to attend such a training camp this summer? Our hearts are aflame with patriotism these July days of 1917. Some of us are saddened by the remembrance of separations from dear ones in the past, and by the fear of other partings in the future, but all of us long as we have never longed before to serve our Country. "Not to be ministered unto, but to minister" has become our chief desire; but there is grave danger that in the stress of new demands for service caused by our entrance into this greatest war of all the ages, we shall forget our duties and responsibilities to our women's organizations, our church life, and our missionary propaganda. "These ought ye to do, and not to leave the other undone."

Never was there a time when the call for loyal support of our Home Mission work was greater. From coast to coast, from the Canadian Border to the Gulf, the forces for righteousness in our Country must be upheld, and the struggle to purify our land and to cleanse it from the dark stains of ignorance and sin must be continued with undiminished vigor if God's blessing is to rest "upon our arms."

Shall not we women, then, plan to attend one of the many missionary training camps, so that with a deeper consecration, a more intelligent knowledge of the need and methods of work we may help in our own corner, and so wisely and loyally serve our Country and our King?

TOPIC FOR SEPTEMBER, 1917

Summer Conference Experiences—An Echo Meeting.

Hymn: "Dear Lord and Father of mankind."

Invocation, followed by the twenty-third Psalm, repeated in unison.

Reading: John 21: 1-17.

Hymn: "Open my eyes, that I may see," or "O Jesus, I have promised."

Explanation of the different types of summer conferences.

Y. W. C. A.—Student and City.
Missionary Education Movement.
Summer Schools under the auspices of the Council of Women.

Report of Delegates. If several from the church have attended conferences during the summer, give each a part in the program.

The reports should include:—

1. Echoes of natural beauty—place where conference was held.

2. Echoes of inspirational value. Morning prayer circles. Platform addresses. Twilight or vesper song services.

3. Echoes of educational value. Bible study courses. Mission study courses. Talks by missionaries from the field.

4. Echoes of practical value. Methods for women's auxiliaries, home departments, work among children, and young people. Suggestions for your society.

Hymn: "Saviour, who Thy life didst give" or "Fling out the banner."

SUMMER CONFERENCES

(To which a representative of the Federation has already been appointed.)

Y. W. C. A. Conferences

Western Student, Hollister, Mo., June 15-25—Mrs. B. B. Seelye.

Central Student, Section I, Lake Geneva, Wis., June 19-29—Miss Agnes Taylor.

Eastern Student, Silver Bay, N. Y., June 22-July 2—Miss Edith Scamman.

Northwestern General, Seabeck, Wash., June 23-July 3—Mrs. W. V. Gulick.

Central Student, Section II, Lake Geneva, Wis., Aug. 21-31—Miss Edith Scamman.

Summer Schools

East Northfield, Mass., July 18-24—Mrs. H. E. Birdseye, Chairman of Northfield Com. Miss Miriam R. Choate, Camp Leader.

Winona Lake, Indiana, June 22-29—Mrs. Ray Evan Butterfield.

Omaha—Mrs. Fred W. Leavitt.

Minnesota—Miss Lettie M. Crafts.

Boulder—Miss Jessie Fitzpatrick.

M. E. M. Conferences

Silver Bay, N. Y., July 6-15—Mrs. H. W. Hicks.

Lake Geneva, Wis., July 27-Aug. 5—Miss Edith Scamman.

Estes Park, Colo., July 13-22—Mrs. J. R. Crews.

Seabeck, Wash., July 30-Aug. 8—Miss H. A. MacLafferty.

Asilomar, Cal., July 17-26—Mrs. H. L. Hoyt.

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Mrs. Timothy Harrison of Indianapolis is the chairman of the Summer Conference Committee. It is hoped that next year there may be a Federation representative at all of the conferences.

Just now we are all suffering from the high cost of living. Schauffler has not escaped from this, and the increased cost of food and fuel presents a serious problem to those responsible for the daily management of the School. Our Unions should keep clearly in mind the distinction between funds raised for the Building and Endowment Fund, and those contributed to the running expense of the institution.

All money raised for the Fund is a Special, cannot count on apportionment, and should be sent to Mrs. Flint, Treasurer of the Federation.

Money for the running expense of the School should go as heretofore, to Mrs. Mills or Mrs. Sicha. Can we not make our checks for the running expense a little larger than last year, in view of the increased operating expense?

There has been a question in the minds of many as to the present arrangement in regard to the annual dues of Unions to the Federation. The Committee on Revision of the Constitution has worked out a new schedule which will be presented at the annual meeting in Columbus. For the present year, those Unions whose income is about one thousand dollars might pay a due of one or two dollars. From those Unions whose income is materially larger than a thousand, a due of five dollars would be acceptable.

PROGRAM TOPICS—1918

January

TWENTIETH CENTURY ROAD BUILDERS, Congregational Home Missionary Society.

February

THE BUGLE CALL, (A call to patriotism), American Missionary Association.

March

LEADERS FOR THE JOURNEY, Congregational Education Society.

April

SPRINGS OF LIVING WATER, (Easter Offering Meeting.)

May

WEARY PILGRIMS ON THE HIGHWAY, Congregational Board of Ministerial Relief.

June

YOUNG PILGRIMS, Congregational S. S. and Pub. Society.

July

COMRADES FROM ACROSS THE SEAS, (Schauffler Missionary Training School), Woman's Home Missionary Federation.

September

GUIDE POSTS ALONG THE WAY. (Methods of work), Woman's Home Missionary Federation.

October

ROADSIDE SHRINES, Congregational Church Building Society.

November

A GOOD SAMARITAN, Interdenominational Day of Prayer for Home Missions, American Missionary Association.

December

THE MESSENGER AND THE MESSAGE, Congregational Home Missionary Society.

These program topics have been arranged to follow the figure of a road on which a large company of men, women, and even little children are marching.

Some may be reminded of the far away days of the middle ages, and the pilgrimage to Canterbury.

Others, to whom our Tercentenary plans make an especial appeal, will recall our own pilgrim forefathers as they traveled the long weary road which lead them across the sea to a new and unknown land. A wonderful heritage they have left to us who today are traveling along the same road, for are we not all "pilgrims and sojourners" as were our fathers in search of a better country?

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS OF RECEIPTS

The American Missionary Association

Irving C. Gaylord, Treasurer - 287 Fourth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

Receipts for May, 1917

The Daniel Hand Educational Fund for Colored People

Income for May from Investments	$6,435.50
Previously acknowledged	40,625.00
	$47,060.50

Current Receipts

EASTERN DISTRICT.

MAINE—$1,028.88.

(Donations $538.88, Legacy $490.00)

Bridgton: First Ch., 5. **East Stoneham:** Ch., 1.60. **Kennebunkport:** South Ch., 2. **North Bridgeton:** W. M. Soc., bbl. goods for Joppa, Ala. **Orland:** Ch., 30. **Portland:** Seaman's Bethel Ch., 75.50; Mrs. A. J. G., 10; Williston Ch., 100; W. H. M. U., for Saluda Seminary, N. C., 24; "Friends," package goods for Marion, Ala. **Princeton:** Ch., 4. **Robbinston:** Ch., 3.85.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of Maine, Mrs. C. E. Leach, Treasurer. **Auburn:** High St., J. and P. S. S., 10; Sixth Street E. S. S., 5. **Augusta:** S. S., 4. **Bath:** Jr. C. E. Soc., 1.75. **Belfast:** First S. S., 3. **Bethel:** S. S., 4.50. **Bucksport:** S. S., 1. **Calais:** 50. **Cumberland Center:** S. S., 1. **Deer Isle:** First S. S., 1.23. **East Millinocket:** S. S., 1.40. **Eastport:** S. S., 1.61. **Freeport:** 5. **Gray:** 5. **Hallowell:** 1.50. **Hampden:** S. S., 4. **Houlton:** 8.50. **Kittery Point:** S. S., 2. **Litchfield:** S. S., 2.50. **Mexico:** S. S., 2.10. **Newcastle:** Second, 20. **New Gloucester:** P. S. S., 2.55. **Norridgewock:** S. S., 2.50. **North Bridgton:** S. S., 1.25. **Orono:** Jr. C. E., 2.50. **Portland:** Bethel, 6; St. Lawrence P. S. S., 4; Second Parish, 5; State Street W. M. S., 23.75; P. S. S., 10.10; Williston P. and J. S. S., 14.22; Woodfords P. S. S., 5; Jr. C. E. 6. **Searsport:** 3.40. **South Berwick:** P. S. S., 1.40. **South Bridgton:** S. S., 4. **South Paris:** P. S. S., 2.50. **Standish:** S. S., 6. **Steuben:** Jr. C. E., 1. **Sunset:** (Deer Isle) S. S., 1.14. **Waterville:** 33.33. **Woolwich:** Nequassett S. S., 2.20. **York:** First, 10. Total, $282.93.

Legacy

Bethel: Phebe M. Buxton, by John M. Gould, Exec., (500 less expenses 10) 490.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—$439.46.

Andover: S. S., Lincoln Mem., 1.12. **East Concord:** Ch., 1. **East Jaffrey:** W. M. Soc., bbl. goods for Joppa, Ala. **Gilmanton:** Ch., 3. **Hancock:** Ch., 12. **Keene:** First Ch., Jr. C. E. Soc., for Grand View, 3; Court Street Ch., bbl. goods for Moorhead, Miss. **Lee:** Ch., 5. **Lyme:** W. M. Soc., bbl. goods for Joppa, Ala. **Tamworth:** Ch., 12.35. **Wolfeboro:** S. S., Lincoln Mem., 2.

The New Hampshire Female Cent Institution and Home Missionary Union, Miss Annie A. McFarland, Treasurer. **Amherst:** 10. **Bethlehem:** 1.10. **Boscawen:** 2.86. **Brookline:** 68c. **Campton:** 3.08. **Candia:** 2.40. **Claremont:** 2.29. **Concord:** First, 10.80; South, 10.41. **Derry Village:** 6.88. **Dover:** 2.75. **East Andover:** 1.74. **East Concord:** 1.94. **East Derry:** 1.37. **Epping:** 1.10. **Epsom:** 6.67. **Exeter:** First, 6.16; Phillips, 4.40. **Farmington:** 5.50. **Franconia:** 66c. **Gilmanton:** 1.10. **Gilsum:** 3.35. **Goffstown:** 7.22. **Greenland:** 2.99. **Hampstead:** 3.52. **Henniker:** 3.74. **Hollis:** 3.83. **Hopkinton:** 66c. **Jaffrey:** 5. **Keene:** First, for Saluda Seminary, 13; and for Grand View, 20; Court Street, 10. **Laconia:** 3.66. **Lebanon:** 10.17. **Littleton:** 5.98. **Lyme:** 4.45. **Manchester:** First Ch., 6.60; Franklin Street, 31.68. **Marlboro:** 2.37. **Meredith:** 1.35. **Merrimack:** 4.07. **Mount Vernon:** 1.03. **Nashua:** First, 8.50; Pilgrim, 4.49. **New Boston:** 1.98. **Newfields:** 1.10. **Newport:** 3.52. **North Chichester:** 1.98. **North Hampton:** 4.74. **Pembroke:** 1.89. **Peterboro:** 2.64. **Piermont:** 1.10. **Pittsfield:** 1.83. **Plymouth:** 3.30. **Raymond:** 2.20. **Sanbornton:** 8.14. **Somersworth:** 4.75. **South Merrimack:** 52c. **Walpole:** 3.63. **Wakefield:** 1.76. **West Concord:** 15.50. **West Lebanon:** 6.60. **Wolfboro:** 1.26. **N. H. F. C. I. & W. H. M. U., undesignated funds:** 90. Total, $399.99.

VERMONT—$1,172.03.

Barnet: W. U., 2; Miss B. H., for Dorchester Academy, 6. **Bennington:** Second Ch., 30.52. **Bradford:** W. U., 1.55. **Burlington:** W. B. H., for Tougaloo College, 5; Ch., box goods for Dorchester Academy; Prof. S. F. E., for Tougaloo College, 5. **Cabot:** Ch., 11. **Clarendon:** Ch., 2.69. **Danville:** W. U., 1.50. **East Hardwick:** W. U., 1.52. **Hardwick:** W. U., 3.06. **Island Pond:** Ch., 18.67. **Lyndonville:** First Ch., 52.75; W. U., 1.25. **Middlebury:** Ch., 3.15; S. S., Lincoln Mem., 2. **Montgomery Center:** Ch., 5. **Newbury:** W. U., 3. **North Craftsbury:** Ch., 15. **North Pomfret:** Ch., 5.02. **North Pownal:** Ch., 3. **North Thetford:** Ch., 10.21. **Putney:** Ch., 10.37. **Rutland:** Ch., box goods for Dorchester Academy. **St. Johnsbury:** Center Ch., 3.45; East W. U., 1. **Vergennes:** Mrs. W. R. B., for Gregory Institute, 4.25. **Wells River:** W. U., 3.50. **Williston:** Ch., 6.

Congregational Woman's Home Missionary Union of Vermont, Mrs. C. H. Thompson, Treas. **Arlington:** East, W. M. S., 5.35; Jr. S. S., 3.67. **Barre:** W. Union, 5; Jr. S. S., 4.50; Boys and Girls Club, 3.25. **Barton:** W. H. M. S., 5; Y. P. S. C. E., 4.25. **Bellows Falls:** W. A., 35.88; S. S. 9.30. **Bennington:** Second Ch. S. S., 9.35; Second W. H. M. S., 7; North W. H. M. S., 7.50. **Berkshire:** East, Jr. C. E., 5. **Bradford:** W. U., 5. **Brandon:** W. H. M. S., 10. **Brattleboro:** Center Ch. S. S., 29; Center Ch. W. Assoc., 10. **Bridport:** W. H. M. S., 2. **Brookfield:** W. H. M. S., 4; First Ch. W. H. M. S., for medical residence in Porto Rico, 1. **Burlington:** First W. S., 20; First Ch. W. A., 30; Primary S. S., 5; College Street, Daughters of the Church, for Hospital in Porto Rico, 5. **Cabot:** S. S., 9.10.

Castleton: L. M. Club, 7. **Charleston:** W. H. M. S., 5.90. **Charleston:** West S. S., 4. **Chelsea:** Jun. S. S., 1.30. **Chester:** Jr. C. E. Soc., 5. **Corinth:** East, W. H. M. S., 5; East S. S., 3.50. **Cornwall:** W. H. M. S., 7; Jun. S. S., 1. **Craftsbury:** North S. S., 3.10. **Derby:** L. Circle, 4. **Dorset:** W. H. M. S., 4. **Enosburg:** W. H. M. S., 7; S. S., 10. **Essex Junction:** Jessie Ferrin Club, 5. **Fair Haven:** W. H. M. S., 5. **Fairlee:** S. S., 85c. **Ferrisburg:** W. H. M. S., 4. **Florence:** W. H. M. S., 3.20. **Glover:** West, W. H. M. S., 4. **Grafton:** S. S., 2.43. **Granby & Victory:** S. S., 2.75. **Greensboro:** Jr. S. S., 2.75. **Hardwick:** East, W. H. M. S., 8; S. S., 4.50. **Highgate:** Ch., 2.25. **Hinesburg:** W. H. M. S., 2. **Hubbardton:** Surprise Circle, 4. **Interest on Mrs. Martin's Legacy:** 30. **Irasburg:** S. S., 2; Light Bearers, 3.20. **Island Pond:** S. S., 5.08; Jun. C. E. Soc., 1. **Jamaica:** W. H. M. S., 10; Primary S. S., 2. **Jeffersonville:** W. H. M. S., 5; S. S., 3.30. **Jericho Center:** W. H. M. S., 8; Primary S. S., (5th and 6th grades), 11; Second Ch. W. H. M. S., 5. **Ludlow:** Jr. C. E., 5. **Lyndonville:** W. H. M. S., 5. **McIndoes Falls:** Y. P. and Primary S. S., 3.58. **Middlebury:** W. A. H. and F. M., 5. **Milton:** S. S. and Mission Band, 4. **Montpelier:** Bethany M. S., 10, **Newbury:** W. H. M. S., 13.24; S. S., 5.67. West, 1.77. **New Haven:** S. S., 2. **Newport:** W. H. M. S., 20. **Northfield:** L. H. Circle, 5; Jr. C. E. Soc., 2. **Norwich:** W. H. M. S., 10. **Orleans:** W. H. M. S., 8; Jun. S. S., 1.34; Sunshine Circle, 5. **Orwell:** W. H. M. S., 21.50. **Peacham:** W. H. M. S., 15. **Pittsford:** W. H. M. S., 15. **Putney:** S. S., 2. **Rochester:** Homeland C., 8.50. **Royalton:** Sarah Skinner Mem., 5; South, W. H. M. S., 7.52. **Rupert:** Jr. S. S., 1. **Rutland:** W. H. M. S., 37.66; Earnest Workers, 10; Primary S. S., 20; G. K. D., 10. **Rutland:** West, W. H. M. S., 6. **Salisbury:** Ele. S. S., 9. **St. Albans:** W. H. M. S., 20. **St. Johnsbury** East S. S., 1; No. Ch. Primary S. S., 4.83; M. R. Table, 5; Mrs. Cross' Bible Class, for McIntosh, Ga., 9; North Ch., W. A., 20; South Ch., W. H. M. S., 25; So. Ch., S. S., 4.89. **Saxton's River:** L. B. S., 6. **Springfield:** W. H. M. S., 10. **Swanton:** W. H. M. S., 7; Jr. C. E. Soc., 3; S. S., 4. **Thetford:** North, W. H. M. S., 2.50. **Townshend:** W. H. M. S., 10. **Underhill:** H. C., 3; S. S. Class, for S. A., Rio Grande Industrial School, 2.50. **Vergennes:** W. H. M. S., 10. **Waitsfield:** Home Circle, 5.60. **Wallingford:** W. H. M. S., 5; S. S., 8. **Waterbury:** W. H. M. S., 8; S. S., 7.52. **Waterford:** W. H. M. S., 2.50. **Westford:** Pathfinders, 3; Primary S. S., 2. **Westminster:** Primary S. S., 1.24; West S. S., 89c. **Wilmington:** Primary S. S., 1.34. **Windham:** W. H. M. S., 5. **Windsor:** S. S., 12.25. **Woodbury:** South, S. S., 1.72. **Woodstock:** W. H. M. S., 28.75. Total, $954.57.

MASSACHUSETTS—$8,556.09.

(Donations $3,306.10, Legacies $5,249.99)

Andover: Assoc. of Chs., 1.50. **Attleboro:** Mrs. F. A. M., package cards for Lincoln Academy. **Auburndale:** Ladies' Benevolent Soc., bbl. goods for Marion, Ala. **Ballard Vale:** Ch., 33.16; C. O. Soc., 3. **Bedford:** Ch., 5.76. **Billerica:** Ch., 6.52. **Boston:** Central Ch., 240; A. C. B., for Marion, Ala., 5; Rev. F. E. C., for support of nurse at Humacao Hospital, 5; Mrs. E. T., for Tougaloo College, 100; Mrs. E. T. for Talladega College, 100. **Brighton:** Ch., 14.54. **Dorchester:** Second Ch., 56.85, (4 of which for American Highlanders); Village Ch. C. E. Soc., 1.50. **Roxbury:** Immanuel-Walnut Ave. S. S., 15.05. **Chicopee Falls:** Mrs. M. H. C., for Gregory Institute, 10. **Cohasset:** Second Ch., 9.40. **Concord:** Ch., 23.51. **Dalton:** W. M. C., for Talladega College, 100. **Dover:** Ch., 2.21. **East Bridgewater:** Union Ch., 20. **East Hampton:** Payson Ch., W. M. S., for Gregory Institute, 10. **East Longmeadow:** Ch., 15. **Essex:** Ch., 15; C. E. Soc., 5. **Everett:** First Ch., 36.78. **Florence:** Ch., 14.75. **Framingham:** Dr. W. N., for Tougaloo College, 50. **Franklin:** First Ch., 4.25. **Granby:** Ch. of Christ, Woman's Aid Soc., bbl. goods for Marion, Ala. **Heath:** Union Ch., 10. **Hingham:** Ch., 10. **Hyde Park:** First Ch., 34. **Lanesboro:** Ch., 1.65. **Lowell:** "A Friend," 75. **Melrose:** L. A. Soc., bbl. goods for Gregory Institute. **Middleboro:** First S. S., 3.13; Central Ch. S. S., 3.85. **New Bedford:** "Around the World Club," for plumbing at Grand View, 5. **Newburyport:** Central Ch., 33. **Newton:** Central Ch., 95. **Northbridge:** Rockdale Ch., 15.75; S. S., Lincoln Mem., 2.32. **Norwood:** First Ch., 56. **Sharon:** First Ch., 16.50. **Southbridge:** Elm Street Ch., Missionary Soc., bbl. goods for Marion, Ala. **South Hadley:** Miss E. M. E., for Saluda, N. C., 4. **Springfield:** North Ch., W. M. Soc., bbl. goods for Tillotson College; South Ch., Woman's Guild, 50. **Sunderland:** Ch., 22. **Swampscott:** Ch., 6.76. **Warren:** S. S., Lincoln Mem., 1. **Wellesley:** First Ch., 52.33. **Wenham:** Ch., 5. **Westboro:** Mrs. W. A., box goods for Joppa Ala. **Westhampton:** Ch., 30. **West Springfield:** First Ch. S. S., 5.13. **Whitinsville:** A. H. W., for Talladega College, 20. **Winchendon:** Ch., box goods for Marion, Ala. **Winchester:** Second Ch., 5. **Worcester:** Plymouth Ch., 71.14; Plymouth Ch., S. S., for Tougaloo College, 15. **Woronoco:** Ch., 5.76.

Woman's Home Missionary Association of Massachusetts and R. I., Miss Lizzie D. White, Treas. **Haverhill:** Center Ch., for Scholarship at Fisk University, 50. **Northampton:** First Ch., Auxiliary for Gregory Institute, 30. **W. H. M. A.,** for salaries and Chinese, 1,508. **W. H. M. A. of Mass & R. I.,** through Cong. Ed. Soc., 160, (of which for Bountiful 30, Heber 30, Lehi 30, Vernal 40, West Tempa 30.) Total, $1,748.

Legacies.

Ashfield: Henry Taylor, 500, (reserve legacy 333.34), 166.66. **Cambridge:** Russell L. Snow, 250. **Dalton:** Mrs. Louise F. Crane, by W. Murray Crane, Exec, 5,000, (reserve legacy 3,333.34), 1,666.66. **Middleboro:** Julia H. Copeland for Mountain Work, (in part), 3,000. **Worcester:** Rebecca S. Keith, 166.67.

RHODE ISLAND—$89.74.

Auburn: Swedish Ch., 3.94. **Central Falls:** Ch., 68.70. **East Providence:** Riverside S. S., 3. **Providence:** H. E. B., for Talladega College, 10. **River Point:** S. S., Lincoln Mem., 4.10.

Note: See also amounts acknowledged under the W. H. M. A. of Mass. & R. I.

CENTRAL DISTRICT.

CONNECTICUT—$3,098.26.

(Donations $2,647.95, Legacies $450.31.)

Bristol: Ch., 200; First Ch. S. S., for Scholarship, Talladega College, 10. **Coventry:** Second Ch., Fragment Soc., bbl. goods for Lincoln Academy. **Danbury:** Jr. Miss'y Soc., for Joppa, Ala., 5. **Deep River:** First Ch., 14.25. **Gilead:** Ch., 22. **Glastonbury:** Mrs. J. C. W., for Talladega College, 25. **Greenwich:** Second S. S., 10. **Guilford:** First Ch., S. S., for Piedmont College, 5; Third Ch., 7.80; Third Ch., L. A., for Gregory Institute, 1. **Hartford:** Asylum Hill, S. S., Primary Dept., 5.40; First Ch. of Christ, 222.48; Immanuel Ch., Jr. Dept. Woman's Guild, 5; South Ch., Bible School, 20; H. S. C., for Talladega College, 5; Miss S. F., for Joppa, 4; A. S. J., for Talladega College, 25; Mrs. C. W. J., for Hospital repairs, at Talladega, Ala., 50; C. W. W., for Talladega College, 10. **Ivoryton:** Mrs. E. A. N., for Gregory Inst., 10. **Lyme:** Mrs. K. G. W., box goods for Joppa, Ala. **Milford:** H. W. M., for Talla-

dega College, 5. **Montville:** First Ch., 11. **Nepaug:** Ch., 12.60. **New Britain:** F. G. P., for Talladega College, 50. **New Canaan:** Jr. C. E. Soc., for Grand View, Tenn., 45. **New Hartford:** North Ch., 20. **New Haven:** First Church of Christ, 313.53; Mrs. M. H. F., for Talladega College, 20; S. A. H., for Lexington, Ky., 10; Prof. H. W. F., for Talladega College, 50; E. B. R., for Talladega College, 10. **New London:** First Ch., S. S., for Athens, Ala., 46.50; Second Ch., W. M. S., 5. **New Preston:** Ch., 35. **Newtown:** W. M. Soc., two bbls. goods for Joppa, Ala. **Niantic:** First Ch., 13. **Norwalk:** Mr. and Mrs. A. S., for Lexington, Ky., 10. **Norwich:** F. D. C., for Talladega College, 10. **Oakville:** L. A. Soc., two bbls. goods for Gregory Inst. **South Manchester:** Ch., 6. **So. Norwalk:** M. E. H., for Lexington, Ky., 8. **Taftville:** F. B. R., for Lexington, Ky., 20. **Talcottville:** Mr. and Mrs. J. G. T., for Marion, Ala., 20; Miss R. T., for Talladega College, 10. **Terryville:** Plymouth S. S., 1.54. **Thomaston:** First Ch., 18; First Ch. S. S., 21. **Thompson:** Ch., 14.07. **Washington:** Ch., box goods for Gregory Institute. **Waterbury:** Third Ch., 8; H. E. C., for Talladega College, 25; J. S. E., for Tougaloo College, 50; Mrs. H. P. C., for Talladega College, 50; W. E. F., for Tougaloo College, 20; G. E. J., for Tougaloo College, 10; Mrs. W. H. C., for Tougaloo College, 250; W. W. H., for Tougaloo College, 250. **Watertown:** First h., 22.78; E. R. H., 10; G. A. H., 5; for Tougaloo College. **Willington:** Ch., 9. **Woodbury:** First Ch., 17.

Woman's Congregational Home Missionary Union of Connecticut, Mrs. H. DeWitt Williams, Treas. **Burlington:** W. H. M. S., for Santee, 3; W. M. Soc., for furnishings at Thomasville, Georgia, 3. **East Hartford:** Soc. of United Workers, for Grand View, 10. **Ellington:** L. B. S., for Proctor Academy, 15. **Fairfield:** Aux., for Marquez, New Mexico, 10. **Hartford:** First Ch., Amelia Walker Aux., for Marquez, New Mexico, 50; Immanual Ch., Home Missionary Dept. Woman's Assoc., 90, (30 of which for Chinese in Cal., 30 for Porto Rico, and 30 for El Paso); South Ch., Women, 40, (30 of which for Thomasville and 10 for El Paso). **Middletown:** South Ch. Union Soc., for Grand View, 25. **Milford:** First Ch. H. M. S., for Santee, Neb., 10. **New Britain:** South Ch., H. M. S., 70, (30 of which for Grand View, 25 for Santee and 15 for Thomasville). **New Hartford:** L. A. S., for Thomasville, 5. **New Haven:** Westville L. M. S., for Talladega College, 25. **Newington:** Endeavor Soc., for Alaska Mission, 3. **Suffield:** H. M. S., 25, (15 of which for Proctor Academy and 10 for Santee.) **West Hartford:** H. M. S., 23 (13 of which for Santee and 10 for Thomasville.) **West Haven:** W. M. S., for El Paso, 20. **Wethersfield:** L. A. S., for Grand View, 25. **Windsor:** H. M. S., for Proctor Academy, 20. **Winsted:** Second Ch., Woman's Assoc. for Wilcox Academy, 7. Total, $479.

Legacies.

Groton: B. N. Hurlbutt, 175.68, (reserve legacy 117.12), 58.56. **Hartford:** Joseph L. Blanchard, 1,175.27 (reserve legacy $783.52), 391.75.

NEW YORK—$3,541.79.

(Donations $2,036.82, Legacies $1,504.97)

Albany: Rev. F. R. M., 291.73. **Aquebogue:** Ch., 6.01. **Briarcliff Manor:** Ch., 40.05. **Bridgewater:** Ch., 14.10. **Brooklyn:** Ch. of the Pilgrims, 120; Ch. of the Pilgrims, for Marion, Ala., 20; Clinton Av. Ch., bbl. goods for Marion, Ala.; Flatbush. Ch., 148.92; Parkville Ch. S. S., package goods for Marion, Ala. **Buffalo:** S. C. W., 10; Mrs. W. H. R., for Marion, Ala., 2.21. **Gaines:** Ch., 2.47. **Henrietta:** Union Ch., S. S., Endeavor Class, 15. **Homer:** Ch., 25. **Honeoye:** Ch., 5.39. **Ithaca:** W. M. Soc., bbl. goods for Joppa, Ala. **Jamestown:** W. M. Soc., bbl. goods for Joppa, Ala. **Java:** S. S., 1.28. **New Lebanon:** L. A. Soc., bbl. goods for Gregory Institute. **Maine:** Ch., bbl. goods for Marion, Ala. **Mount Vernon:** First Ch., 20; Bible School, Lincoln Mem., 10. **New York:** Broadway Tabernacle, Y. P. S. C. E., for Pleasant Hill Academy, 15; Forest Ave. Woman's Aux., 10; Swedish Beth. S. S., Lincoln Mem., 2.37; M. L. A., for Moorhead, Miss., 5; F. C., for Tougaloo College, 10; H. W. DeF., for Talladega College, 25; C. C. J., for Tougaloo College, 10; V. M., for Tougaloo College, 5; E. T. W., for Tougaloo College, 200; J. M. W., for Whiton Prizes at Talladega College, 15; T. W. S., for Tougaloo College, 10. **Pine Island:** German Ch., 10. **Poughkeepsie:** First Ch., 38; G. D. for Tougaloo College, 10. **Richmond Hill:** Union Church S. S. Class, for Standing Rock Mission School, gifts for children. **Riverhead:** W. M. Soc., bbl. goods for Joppa, Ala. **Rochester:** South Ch., for Moorhead, Miss., 5. **Syracuse:** Danforth Ch., bbl. goods for Lincoln Academy. **West Bloomfield:** Ch., 19.69. **Westmoreland:** Mrs. M. D. L., package goods for Marion, Ala.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of New York, Mrs. W. A. Kirkwood, Treas. **Albany:** W. M. S., 25; K. D., 15; K. S., 5; C. E., 5. **Arcade:** K. G., 5. **Baiting Hollow:** W. M., 8.50; W. M. S., for S. A. at Fisk University, 25. **Berkshire:** C. E., 5. **Binghamton:** E. S. Aloha, 5. **Briarcliff:** M. S., 15. **Brooklyn:** Ch. of the Evangel, W. M. S., 20; Ch. of the Evangel, Y. P. L., 5; Clinton Ave. W. L., 12.50; Clinton Ave. W. L., for scholarship at Fisk University, 50; Clinton Ave. Y. W. B. C., 5; Lewis Ave. Jr. A., 5; Lewis Ave. A. K., 15; Lewis Ave. E. M. S, 5; Ocean Ave. W. L., 9; Plymouth W. G., 50; Puritan D. of C., 5; Puritan Ch. In-as-much, 2.50; Puritan Chapel, Children & W. M. S., for S. A. at Fisk University, 30; Tompkins Ave. W. U., 50; Tompkins Ave. C. F. G., for Santee, 25; Tompkins Ave. W. U. for Grand View, 15. **Camden:** C. E., 3. **Candor:** S. S., 10. **Churchville:** Friendship Class, 13. **Cortland:** First W. M., 20. **Fulton:** W. M., 10. **Groton:** Jr. C. E., 3.50. **Homer:** Jr. M. B., 3.50. **Maine:** W. M. S., 9.10; S. S., 5. **Middletown:** N. St. F. W., 3. **Monrovia:** Y. L. M. S., 5. **Mt. Vernon:** First W. U., 15. **New York:** Broadway Tabernacle, S. for W. W., 5. **Orwell:** W. H. M., 4. **Oswego:** W. H. M., 25. **Pulaski:** W. H. M., 10. **Riverhead:** Sound Ave. W. M., for S. A., at Fisk Univ., 50. **Rutland:** M. S., 7. **Saratoga:** Jr. C. E., 3. **Sayville:** M. S., 5. **Seneca Falls:** W. M., 5. **Sidney:** W. M., 25. **Syracuse:** Danforth L. U., 20; Geddes Lend-a-Hand Circle, 15; Geddes C. E., 3. **Syracuse:** Good Will W. G., 25; S. S., 15; Prim., 3. **Utica:** Plymouth W. M., 110. **Watertown:** P. A., 7. **West Groton:** W. M. S., 10. **Woodhaven:** First J. M. S., 15; Inter C. E., 5. **W. H. M. U. of N. Y.,** through Cong. Ed. Soc., for Rio Grande Industrial School, 30. Total $914.60.

Legacies.

Akron: Mary E. Ball, for Saluda Seminary, Saluda, N. C., 8. **Cortland:** Henry E. Ranney, 1,427.20. **Warsaw:** Adelia C. Walker, 69.77.

NEW JERSEY—$806.10.

(Donations $559.98, Legacy $146.12)

Closter: First S. S., 5.48. **East Orange:** D. G. H., for Tougaloo College, 100. **Glen Ridge:** Delta Signa Band, for Medical Residence in Porto Rico, 2. **Jersey City:** Waverly Ch., 5. **Montclair:** S. W. C., for Tougaloo College, 5; "A Friend," for Tougaloo College, 225. **Newark:** First Cong. Jube Memorial Ch., 25. **Nutley:** Saluda Circle, for Saluda, N. C., 7.50. **Orange:** C.

E. E., for Tougaloo College, 10. **Short Hills:** Mrs. J. H. H., for Moorhead, Miss., 15. **Upper Montclair:** C. G. P., for Hospital at Humacao, Porto Rico, 250. **Westfield:** Ch., 10.

Legacy.

Lyons Farms: Phebe M. Drake, 146.12.

PENNSYLVANIA—$348.00.

Meadville: W. M Soc., four sacks goods for Joppa, Ala.; Mrs. G. A., for Joppa, Ala., 1. **Philadelphia:** "Friend," for Marion, Ala., 13. **Warren:** M. W. J., for Stock at Ponca Farm, Rosebud, So. Dak., 300.

Congregational Woman's Missionary Union of Pennsylvania, Mrs. David Howells, Treas. **Glenolden:** Ladies' Aid Soc., for Porto Rico, 2; Y. P. S. C. E., for Alaska Mission, 2. **Kane:** Light Bearers, for Cape Prince of Wales, Alaska, 5. **Philadelphia:** Central Ch., Woman's Assoc., 15; (10 of which for Porto Rico, and 5 for Thorsby Inst.); Park Ch., W. H. M. Soc., for Porto Rico, 5; Park Ch., Caleb Sunshine Soc., for Alaska Mission, 5. Total, $34.00.

MARYLAND—$10.00.

Baltimore: Miss C. E., for Joppa, Ala., 10.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—$20.00.

Washington: First Ch., for Talladega College, 20.

INTERIOR DISTRICT.

OHIO—$1,044.09.

(Donations $691.49, Legacy $352.60)

Akron: West, Ch., 20.35. **Austinburg:** Ch., 5. **Ashtabula:** Miss M. B., for Saluda, N. C., 11. **Brownhelm:** Ch., 5.64; S. S., 4.17. **Cleveland:** Collinwood Ch., 3.75; Hough Ave. Ch., 30.39; Grace Ch., 5.50; Mt. Zion Ch. bbl. and box goods for Marion, Ala.; A. M. E. Ch. and Friends, for Marion, Ala., 9.61; Park Ch., 11; Trinity Ch., 9. **Cuyahoga Falls:** Ch., 7. **Columbus:** D. A. R., for Grand View, Tenn., 11. **Greenwich:** Ch., 1. **Lakewood:** Ch., 6. **Lexington:** Ch., 2. **Mansfield:** Mayflower Ch., 10. **Mt. Vernon:** Ch., 28. **Oberlin:** Second Ch., 30; Mrs. R. C., for Saluda Seminary, N. C., 15. **Pierpont:** Ch., 5.75. **Springfield:** Lagonda Ave. Ch., 5; Plymouth Ch., 1. **Strongville:** Ch., 17.46. **Tallmadge:** S. S., 10. **Toledo:** Plymouth, Ch., 5. **Twinsburg:** Ch., 5.60; S. S., 2.60.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of Ohio, Mrs. F. E. Walters, Treas. **Alexis:** L. S., 73c. **Ashtabula:** Second M. S., 1.57. **Belpre:** W. M. S., 2.10. **Berea:** S. S., 1.05; C. E. Soc., 1.05. **Berlin Heights:** M. S., 1.41. **Chagrin Falls:** M. M. S., 1.36. **Cleveland:** Collinwood Ch., 4.20; Euclid S. S., 25; First W. A., 6.72; K. D. C., 2.10; Grace W. S., 2.20; Highland W. A., 1.15; Hough, W. S., 10.50; North C. E., 1.05; Pilgrim P. W., 15.75; Plymouth W. S., 2.62; Trinity L. A. S., 3.51. **Columbus:** Grand View, W. S., 1.47; Mayflower L. M. S., 2.10; Plymouth L. S., 3.67. **Cuyahoga Falls:** L. M. S., 1.31; S. S., 1.05; C. E. Soc., 1.05. **East Cleveland:** Calvary L. A., 84c. **Elyria:** First W. A., 10.50. **Fairport:** 94c. **Genoa:** W. G., 5.25. **Kent:** First W. S., 1.47; M. B., 52c. **Kirtland:** M. S., 80c; S. S., 1.19. **Lima:** M. S., 1.26. **Lorain:** Second L. A., 1.20; S. S., 21c. **Mallet Creek:** L. M. S., 2.57. **Marblehead:** L. A. S., 4.83; C. E. Soc., 84c. **Marysville:** W. S., 1.26; C. E., 84c; S. S., 63c. **Medina:** M. S., 5.98. **Newton Falls:** W. M. S., 1.68. **North Fairfield:** M. S., 1.68; S. S., 1.26. **North Olmsted:** L. A., 1.20. **Painesville:** S. S., for S. A. at Pleasant Hill, 2.50; and for Straight University, 16.50. **Sandusky:** Ch., 2.99; S. S., 92c. **Saybrook:** W. A., 73c. **Springfield:** First W. M. S., 4.20; Y. L., 1.05. **Sullivan:** M. S., 1.94. **Tallmadge:** W. H. M. S., 2.52. **Toledo:** Park W. A., 63c. **Twinsburg:** W. M. S., 1.57. **Unionville:** W. M. S., 1.47. **West Williamsfield:** M. S., 1.89. **Wellington:** W. A., 3.15. **Windham:** C. E., 2.10. **Youngstown:** Plymouth D. of C., 52c. **W. H. M. U.,** through Cong. Ed. Soc., 227.32 (of which 57.13 for New West Work and 170.19 for San Rafael, New Mexico). Total, $413.67.

Legacy.

Ashland: J. O. Jennings, 352.60.

MICHIGAN—$523.61.

Alamo: Ch., 90c. **Buckley:** Ch., 2. **Calumet:** S. S., for Theo. S. A., Talladega College, 18.75. **Charlotte:** S. S., 4.33. **Coloma:** Ch., 1.74. **Coral:** Ch., 3.20. **Custer:** Ch., 1. **Dowagiac:** Ch., 3.06. **Eden:** Ch., 80c. **Detroit:** Miss A. V. B., for Tougaloo College, 2. **Grand Rapids:** East Ch., 4.50. **Greenville:** Ch. bbl. goods for Marion Ala. **Hartford:** Ch., 2.40. **Hudson:** "Friends," for Tougaloo College, 250; S. S. Class, box goods for Marion, Ala. **Muskegon:** First S. S., bbl. goods for Joppa, Ala.; High School Dept. S. S. for Joppa Ala., 15. **New Haven:** Ch., 1.60. **North Crystal:** S. S., 23c. **Oxford:** Ch., 1.20. **Romeo:** Ch., 4.50. **Reed City:** Ch., 1.50. **Rockford:** Ch., 6. **St. Joseph:** Ch., 33. **Wyandotte:** Ch., 4.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of Michigan, Mrs. C. O. Davis, Treas. **Ann Arbor:** Laura Moore, 59. **Cadillac:** 5. **Ludington:** 10.40. **Owosso:** S. S., for Saluda Seminary, N. C., 25; Young Women's Miss'y Soc., for Grand View, Tenn., 12.50. **W. H. M. U. of Mich.,** for West Tampa, Fla., 50. Total, $161.90.

WESTERN DISTRICT.

ILLINOIS—$5,624.95.

(Donations $624.95, Legacy $5,000.00)

Aurora: First Ch., 10. **Chebanse:** Woman's Missionary Soc., 2.55. **Chicago:** Auburn Park S. S., Lincoln Mem., 5.25; Forest Glen Ch., 3; Pilgrim Ch., 27.59; Pilgrim S. S., Lincoln Mem. add'l., 5; Trinity S. S., Lincoln Mem., add'l., 1. **Clifton:** S. S., Lincoln Mem., 2.45. **Dover:** Ch., 19. **Elburn:** S. S., 2.40. **Kewanee:** First Ch., 6.30. **La Moille:** Ch., 15.01. **Loda:** Miss H. E. G., for Tougaloo College, 5. **Oak Park:** Third Ch., 7.15. **Olney:** First Ch., 13.75. **Paxton:** Mrs. J. B. S., two packages goods for Marion, Ala. **Peoria:** Mrs. E. S. B., for Tougaloo College, 2. **Plymouth:** S. S., Lincoln Mem., 2. **Roseville:** S. S., Lincoln Mem., 1. **Sterling:** Ch., 9.30. **Sycamore:** W. M. Soc., two bbls. goods for Joppa, Ala. **Wilmette:** First Ch., 26.82; Crescent Circle, bbl. goods for Marion, Ala.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of Illinois, Mrs. W. M. Fitch, Treas. **Abingdon:** W. S., 2. **Aurora:** First W. S., 25. **Bloomington:** W. S., 2. **Bowen:** S. S. Class (No. 6), 5. **Chicago:** Auburn Park W. S., 2.70; Community W. S., 10; Irving Park W. S., 3; New First W. M. S., 10; North Shore W. S., 30.48; Park Manor W. S., 2; Ravenswood W. S., 20; Rogers Park W. S., 13; Tabernacle W. S., 5; University W. S., 6; Warren Ave. Mission Study Class, 10. **Decatur:** W. S., 2; S. S., 2. **DeKalb:** W. S., 2. **Dixon:** W. S., 1.25. **Dover:** W. S., 8. **Elgin:** First W. S., 25; S. S., for S. A. at Grand View, 15. **Emington:** W. S., 5. **Evanston:** First W. S., 25. **Geneseo:** W. S., 3. **La Grange:** W. S., 36. **LaMoille:** W. S., 3. **Mattoon:** First W. S., 3. **Maywood:** First W. S., 1.75. **Morgan Park:** W. S., 2. **Pana:** W. S., 1.50. **Paxton:** W. S., 15. **Peoria:** First W. S., 12. **Plainfield:** S. S., 2.60. **Polo:** W. S., 2.50. **Quincy:** First Union W. S., 5.60. **Roberts:** S. S., 2. **Rock Falls:** W. S., 6.50. **Rockford:** First W. S., 5. **Rollo:** S. S., Mission Band, 5.50. **Roscoe:** W. S., 5. **Seward:** (Winnebago Co.) W. S., 10. **Sheffield:** W. S., 5. **Springfield:** First W. S., 5. **Sterling:** W. S., for S. A.

Fisk University, 25. **Toulon:** W. S., 10. **Winnetka:** W. S., 30. **W. H. M. U. of Ill.,** through Cong. Ed. Soc., for New West Work, 30. Total, $458.38.

Legacy.

Galesburg: Mary Davis McKnight, 5000.

IOWA—$776.74.

Algona: Ch., 12. **Atlantic:** S. S., 2.80. **Avoca:** First Ch. S. S., 2.30. **Cedar Rapids:** First Ch., 7.50. **Davenport:** Edwards S. S., 6.54. **Denmark:** W. M. Soc., bbl. goods for Joppa, Ala.; S. S., 3. **Dubuque:** First Ch., 18.75. **Duniap:** S. S., 3. **Eldora:** C. McK. D., for Grand View, Tenn., 25. **Farmington:** C. E. Soc., box goods for Joppa, Ala.; Mrs. N. T., box goods for Marion, Ala. **German Township:** Ch., 1.15. **Grand View:** S. S., 1.08. **Iowa City:** Ch., 15. **Mason City:** S. S., 1. **Monticello:** Miss M. J. J., for Tougaloo College, 3. **Moorland:** Ch., 6. **Montour:** C. E. Soc., bbl. goods for Joppa, Ala. **Old Man's Creek:** S. S., 1.40. **Orient:** S. S., 2. **Ottumwa:** First Ch., 14.50. **Perry:** Ch., 2.20. **Red Oak:** Ch., 4.75; W. M. S., 3.50. **Reinbeck:** W. M. Soc., bbl. goods for Joppa, Ala. **Riceville:** S. S., 5. **Rockford:** S. S., 2.50. **Sloan:** Ch., 12.69. **Steamboat Rock:** Ch., 2. **Waterloo:** Union S. S., 3. **Webster City:** Ch., 17.50.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of Iowa, Mrs. H. K. Edson, Treas. **Algona:** 3.83. **Anita:** 3.54. **Atlantic:** 4.50. **Bear Grove:** 2. **Belle Plaine:** 8.50. **Blairsburg:** 2.50. **Blencoe:** 1.67. **Cedar Falls:** 85.37. **Cedar Rapids:** First, 7.50. **Centerdale:** 5. **Central City:** 10. **Cherokee:** 6.26. **Chester:** 2.50. **Clay:** 1.75. **Clinton:** 3.27. **Corning:** 4.77. **Council Bluffs:** W. M. S., 6.25; S. S., 5. **Cresco:** 8.33. **Creston:** 10. **Davenport:** Berea, 1; Edwards, 7.28. **Decorah:** 10. **Denmark:** W. M. S., 5.93; C. E. Soc., 5.40. **Des Moines:** Greenwood, 8.10; Plymouth, 33.85. **Dubuque:** First, 6.25; Summit, 4.34. **Edgwood:** 1.75. **Eldora:** C. E. Soc., 10. **Elkader:** 2.33. **Farmington:** 3.13. **Farragut:** C. E. Soc., 5. **Fayette:** 1.67. **Garner:** 3.67. **Gilman:** 3.76. **Glenwood:** 4. **Green Mountain:** 8.20. **Grinnell:** 18.10. **Hawarden:** 4.16. **Humboldt:** 1. **Iowa City:** 5.53. **Lewis:** 3.34. **Lyons:** 1.10. **McGregor:** 3.08. **Maquoketa:** 4.16. **Marshalltown:** W. M. S., 17.28. Young Women, 5.84. **Mason City:** 9.17. **Montour:** 4.16. **Muscatine:** First, 3.50; Milford S. S., 5. **Nashua:** 3.67. **New Hampton:** 1.11. **Ogden:** 2. **Olds:** 3.34. **Onawa:** 14. **Osage:** 5. **Oskaloosa:** 1.17. **Ottumwa:** First, W. M. S., 1.40; Abigail Soc., 5; Plymouth, 5. **Red Oak:** 3. **Rowan:** W. M. S., 3.34; S. S., 2. **Parkersburg:** 83c. **Perry:** 4.98. **Postville:** 24. **Sheldon:** W. M. S., 8.94; S. S., 6.06. **Sibley:** 8.75. **Sioux City:** Mayflower, 5. **Sloan:** 3.40. **Spencer:** 13.34. **Strawberry Point:** 1. **Stuart:** 20. **Webster:** 2. **Winthrop:** 7. **W. H. M. U. of Iowa,** through Cong. Ed. Soc., for San Rafael, 48.63. Total, $597.58.

WISCONSIN—$167.79.

Appleton: W. M. Soc., bbl. goods for Joppa, Ala. **Beloit:** First Ch. W. M. S., for Tougaloo College, 100. **Black Earth:** Miss C. E. L. & Sister, for Cotton Valley, Ala., 4. **Dousman:** Immanuel Ch. and S., 2.44.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of Wisconsin, Miss Mary L. McCutchan, Treas. **Appleton:** 1.75. **Ashland:** 2.50. **Beloit:** First, 6.50. **Brandon:** 1.80. **Brodhead:** W. M. S., 2; two ladies, 9. **Delavan:** Curtis Club, 2. **Lancaster:** 2. **Medford:** 80c. **Milwaukee:** Ladies, 28. **Platteville:** 5. Total, $61.35.

MINNESOTA—$279.13.

Akeley: Ch., 18c. **Alexandria:** Ch., 3.25. **Austin:** Ch., 4.18; S. S., 55c. **Backus:** Ch., 1.35. **Barnesville:** Ch., 68c. **Border:** Ch., 66c. **Duluth:** Ch., 17.50. **Ellsworth:** Ch., 1. **Faribault:** Ch., 5.80, **Fairmont:** Ch., 1.95. **Glyndon:** Ch., 23c. **Granite Falls:** Ch., 1.25. **Hackensack:** Ch., 10c. **Hasty:** Ch., 20c. **Lake City:** First Ch., 1.37. **Lakeland:** Ch., 35c. **Mankato:** First Ch., 83c. **Milaca:** Ch., 50c. **Minneapolis:** First Ch., 13.75; Fifth Ave. Ch., 3.75; Forest Heights Ch., 4.75; Linden Hills Ch., 7.15; Lyndale Ch., 1.45; Lyndale S. S., for Marion, Ala., 2.75; Lynnhurst, 60c; Open Door Ch., 2.50; Park Ave. Ch., 4.94; Pilgrim Ch., 3.26; Plymouth Ch., 41.48; Vine Ch., 90c; F. W. L., for Tougaloo College, 20; C. N., for Talladega College, 10. **Moorhead:** Oak Mound Ch., 1. **Morris:** Ch., 1.69. **New Ulm:** Ch., 5.65. **Northfield:** Ch., 15. **Orrock:** Ch., 5c. **St. Paul:** Immanuel Ch., 3.90; Olivet Ch., 7.50. **Spring Valley:** Ch., 1.10. **Swanville:** Ch., 30c. **Winthrop:** Ch., 1.33. **Zumbrota:** Ch., 20c.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of Minnesota, Mrs. A. E. Fancher, Treas. **Alexandria:** 8.50. **Cannon Falls:** First, 76c. **Cottage Grove:** 1.28. **Dodge Center:** 1.02. **Excelsior:** W. S., 1.50. **Fairmont:** 85c. **Hawley:** W. S., 68c; S. S., 51c. **Lake City:** First, 36c. **Mapleton:** 50c. **Marietta:** 50c. **Minneapolis:** Fifth Ave., 1.66; First, 1.28; Linden Hills, 3.86; Lyndale, 2.21; Park Ave., 2.40; Pilgrim, 2.01; Plymouth, 22.16. **Montevideo:** 2.02. **Moorhead:** 72c. **Northfield:** 7.60. **St. Paul:** Hazel Park, 23c; Immanuel, 90c; University Ave., 93c; Olivet, 3.86. **New York Mills:** 30c. **Sleepy Eye:** 85c. **Winona:** 12.75. Total, $82.20.

MISSOURI—$318.88.

Kansas City: First Ch., 99.40. **Lebanon:** First Ch., 8.75.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of Missouri, Miss Edith M. Norton, Treas. **Aurora:** L. M. S., 3.50; Primary S. S., for Birds Nest Home, 1.50. **Joplin:** First, Eliza Seller, M. S., 4.38. **Kansas City:** First W. A., 13.36; Y. W. A., 18.75; Priscillas, 6.25; Sunday School, 7.41; Ivanhoe Park, L. M. S., 4.38; South West Tabernacle, L. M. S., 2.31. **Pierce City:** S. S., for Birds Nest Home, 5. **St. Joseph:** First S. S., 9.86. **St. Louis:** Compton Hill, 2; First W. S., 37.17; S. S., 1.56; Fountain Park W. A., 1.66; Hyde Park, L. M. S., 75c; Hyde Park, Jr. C. E., for Birds Nest Home, 1.50; Maplewood, L. M. S., 4.38; S. S., 96c; Pilgrim W. A., 43.63; K. D., 6.08. **Springfield:** First Ch., 2.70; S. S., 6.30. **Webster Groves:** Covenant Circle, 94c. **W. H. M. U. of Mo.,** Legacy Fund, 24.40. Total, $210.73.

KANSAS—$16.54.

Lebanon: Cora Ch., 6. **Wellington:** First Ch., 10.54.

NEBRASKA—$38.81.

Burton: Ch., 1.75. **Burwell:** Ch., 9. **Lincoln:** First Ch., 25. **Norfolk:** Omaha Ave. S. S., 3.06.

NORTH DAKOTA—$27.67.

Anamoose: First Ch., 3.10. **Benedict:** First Ch., 3. **Deering:** S. S., 2. **Parshall:** S. S., 1.27. **Harvey:** Ch., 7. **Lawton:** S. S., 70c. **Lloyd:** S. S., 1.20. **Medina:** S. S., Lincoln Mem., 1. **Pembina:** Miss M. F. McD., for Tougaloo College, 5. **Regent:** S. S., 3.40.

SOUTH DAKOTA—$118.80.

Centerville: Ch., 1.48. **Chamberlain:** Ch., 15. **Dupree:** S. S., Lincoln Mem., 1. **Fairfax:** Ch., 6. **Geddes:** S. S., Lincoln Mem., 2.20. **Huron:** Ch., 3.03. **Mission Hills:** S. S., Lincoln Mem., 3.56. **Mitchell:** Ch., 4.43. **Newell:** S. S., Lincoln Mem., 2.88. **Rapid City:** Ch., 1.45; S. S., Lincoln Mem., 4.11. **Redfield:** Ch., 3.15. **Upper Cutmeat:** Congregation, for new Church Building Fund, 21.11.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of So. Dakota, Mrs. A. Loomis, Treas. **Academy:** 85c. **Alcester:** 80c. **Athol:** 50c. **Belle Fourche:** 85c. **Beresford:** 1.80. **Brantwood:** (Naples), 1.92. **Canova:** 1.10. **Cherry Creek:** Indian, 50c. **Clark:** 80c. **Deadwood:** 75c. **Elk Point:** 2.50. **Ft. Pierre:** 60c. **Hudson:** 1.50. **Huron:** 2.10. **Ipswich:** 3. **Lake Preston:** 60c. **Loomis:** 30c. **Milbank:** 1.27. **Mitchell:** 2.20. **Oahe:** 36c. **Oldham:** 20c. **Pierre:** 1.06. **Rapid City:** 2.10. **Redfield:** 2. **Ree Heights:** 1.15. **Sioux Falls:** W. M. S., 42c; S. S., 10. **Springfield:** 1.15. **Vermillion:** 1.44. **Watertown:** 2.30. **Willow Lakes:** 58c. **Yankton:** 2.70. Total, $49.40.

COLORADO—$62.90.

Canon City: Mrs. A. McC., package goods for Lincoln Academy. **Colorado Springs:** First Ch., 13.90. **Cripple Creek:** Ch., 1. **Denver:** Ohio Ave. Ch., 18. **Longmont:** First Ch., 30. **Manitou:** "Friend," book for Lincoln Academy.

ARKANSAS—$40.00.

Little Rock: Ch., 40.

MONTANA—$6.15.

Billings: S. S., 6.15.

OKLAHOMA—60 cents.

Woman's Cong'l Home Missionary Union of Oklahoma, Mrs. A. J. Clymans, Treas. **Medford:** 60c.

NEW MEXICO—$10.00.

San Rafael: I. S. F., for Rio Grande School, 10.

PACIFIC DISTRICT.

CALIFORNIA (Northern)—$592.13.

Alturas: Ch., 1.35. **Angels' Camp:** Ch., 1.76. **Antioch:** Ch., 3.31. **Berkley:** First Ch., 99; North Ch., 25.30; Bethany Ch., 55c. **Bowles:** Ch., 1.23. **Fresno:** First Ch., 4.03. **Grass Valley:** Ch., 3.56. **Guerneville:** Ch., 1.30. **Little Shaster:** Ch., 2.75. **Lockeford:** Ch., 10.17. **Loomis:** Ch., 3.57. **Martinez:** Ch., 3.84. **Niles:** Ch., 3.52. **Oakland:** Fruitvale Ave. Ch., 3.19; Olivet, 59c; Pilgrim Ch., 3.50. **Oroville:** Ch., 38.75. **Pacific Grove:** Ch., 15.12. **Palo Alto:** Ch., 7.35; S. S., 8.68. **Petaluma:** Ch., 7.47; S. S., 7. **Pittsburg:** Ch., 1. **Porterville:** Ch., 1.10. **Redwood City:** Ch., 13.75. **Sacramento:** Ch., 13.75. **San Francisco:** Bethany Ch., 3; First Ch., 33; B. & G. Co., for Oriental Missions, 100. **San Mateo:** Ch., 8.24. **Santa Rosa:** First Ch., 4.91. **Saratoga:** Ch., 11.81. **Sebastopol:** Ch., 1.49. **Soquel:** Ch., 1.30. **Suisum:** Ch., 8.25. **Sunnyvale:** Ch., 4.57. **Woodside:** Ch., 4.56.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of Northern California, Mrs. O. W. Lucas, Treas. **Berkeley:** First, 19.55. **Ceres:** 1.08. **Eureka:** 1.05. **Fresno:** Pilgrim, 2.10. **Grass Valley:** 55c. **Likely:** 15c. **Mill Valley:** 57c. **Murphys:** 15c. **Niles:** 67c. **Oakland:** First, 43.05; Plymouth, 7.56; Pilgrim, 4.50; Calvary, 2.10; Fruitvale Ave., 60c; Olivet, 11c; Boulevard, 1.05. **Oroville:** 94c. **Pacific Grove:** 2.88. **Porterville:** 2.31. **Redwood:** 5.12. **Sacramento:** 5.77. **San Rafael:** 28c. **Saratoga:** 6.28. **Sebastopol:** 1.15. **Sonoma:** 2.10. **Stockton:** 6. **Sunnyvale:** 13c. **San Juan:** 21c. **San Francisco:** First, 1; Bethany, S. S., 3. **Tulare:** 2.50. Total, $124.51.

CALIFORNIA (Southern)—$936.62.

Calipatria: Ch., 1.92. **Chula Vista:** Ch., 5.31. **Claremont:** Ch., 33.93. **Corona:** Ch., 28.44. **Graham:** Ch., 1.22. **Lemon Grove:** Ch., 2.20. **Long Beach:** Ch., 22.55. **Los Angeles:** First Ch., 140.46; Athens, 1.32; Berean, 1.29; Bethany, 73c; East, 2.10; Mayflower, 3.30; Mesa, 66c; Messiah, 16.47; Olivet, 1.65; Park, 2.68; Pilgrim, 7; Providence, 5; Vernon Ave., 5.50; West End, 3.40. **Los Angeles:** Mrs. P. H. J., for Marion, Ala., 2. **Monrovia:** Ch., 11.24. **National City:** Ch., 2.58. **Ontario:** S. S., 3.51. **Pasadena:** First Ch., 37.50; Pilgrim Ch., 2.10; Lake Ave. Ch., 15; West Side, 20; J. A. M., for Rio Grande School, 21. **Pomona:** Ch., 25.85; S. S., 22.53. **Redondo Beach:** Ch., 2.20. **Riverside:** Ch., 15; S. S., for Piedmont College, 6. **San Bernardina:** First Ch., 5.12. **San Diego:** First Ch., 27.73. **San Jacinto:** Ch., 91c; S. S., for Rio Grande Industrial School, 2.13. **Santa Ana:** Ch., 70.62. **Sherman:** Ch., 2.20. **Whittier:** Ch., 25.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of Southern California, Mrs. E. C. Norton, Treas. **Avalon:** 1.80. **Claremont:** W. M. S., 5.60; Hathaway Club, 90c; Y. W. C. A. of Pomona College, 55, (25 of which for California Oriental Missions and 25 for New Mexico Schools). **Corona:** 9.90. **Etiwanda:** 3.60. **Hawthorne:** 1.62. **Highland:** W. M. S., 2.70; S. S., 5. **Lemon Grove:** 2.16. **Los Angeles:** First W. M. Soc., for New Mexico Schools, 41.21; First Mrs. Bent's Class, for New Mexico Schools, 5; Park, 2.05; Vernon, 12.96; West End, 90c; Plymouth, 13.50; Trinity, 2.25; Garvanza, 1.80; Messiah, 4.50; Pilgrim, 3.24; Mesa, 90c; Bethlehem, for Rio Grande School, 2.50; Hollywood, 2.51. **Monrovia:** 90c. **National City:** 4.50. **Oneonta:** 6.30. **Ontario:** 7.74. **Pasadena:** Neighborhood, 16.70; Pilgrim, 8.10. **Pomona:** 20.88. **Redlands:** 54. **Redondo:** 1.80. **San Bernardino:** First, 90c. **San Diego:** First, 8.75. **Santa Ana:** 12.60. **Saticoy:** 4.50. Total, $329.27.

OREGON—$40.64.

Forest Grove: Ch., 4.04. **Hood River:** S. S., 5. **Oregon City:** Ch., 2.50. **Jennings Lodge:** Ch., 2.10. **The Dalles:** Ch., 25. **Willard:** Ch., 2.

WASHINGTON—$116.51.

Anacortes: Ch., 5.72. **Bellingham:** Ch., 3.52. **Coupeville:** Ch., 15. **Dennison:** Ch., 42c. **Harper:** Ch., 1.05. **Monroe:** Ch., 2.61. **No. Yakima:** Ch., 15. **Orchard Prairie:** Ch., 1.40. **Pullman:** Ch., 92c. **Richmond Beach:** Ch., 52c. **Ritzville:** English Ch., 1. **Seattle:** Columbia Ch., 10; Green Lake Ch., 3.25; Fairmount, 2; Fauntleroy, 91c. **Spokane:** Plymouth S. S., 13; Westside Ch., 3.70. **Tacoma:** Plymouth Ch., 7.99. **Walla Walla:** First Ch., 25. **Warden:** Frendenfeld Ch., 3.50.

IDAHO—$6.20.

Caldwell: Pilgrim Ch., 50c. **Council:** Ch., 3; S. S., 2. **Westlake:** Ch., 70c.

ARIZONA—$50.00.

Prescott: Ch., 50.

THE SOUTH &c.

WEST VIRGINIA—$4.27.

Ceredo: Ch., 4.27.

NORTH CAROLINA—$35.60.

Asheville: Miss M. S. K., for S. A., Tillotson College, 17.80. **Bricks:** S. S., 3.30. **Halifax:** P. A. G., for Joseph K. Brick School, Cottage Fund, 5. **Melville:** S. S., 1. **Troy:** Middle District Association of N. C., 2.50. **Wilmington:** Ch., 6.

SOUTH CAROLINA—$5.00.

Columbia: Rev. E. N. A., 5.

TENNESSEE—$12.70.

Memphis: Second Ch., 1.70. **Nashville:** Howard S. S., Lincoln Mem., 1; Union Ch., Woman's Missionary Soc., 10.

GEORGIA—$232.91.

Athens: Cong'l S. S., Lincoln Mem., 6.51. **Hagen:** Eureka Ch., 1.60. **Hinesville:** Ch., 6. **Macon:** Alumni of Ballard Normal School, for Furnishings, 200. **Savannah:** Ch., 7. **Scarboro:** Ch., 1.75. **Thebes:** Ch., 4.05. **Thomasville:** Mrs. R. L. I., for Fessen-

den Academy, 5. **Way Cross:** White Hall S. S., 1.

ALABAMA—$22.03.

Montgomery: First Ch., 5.83. **Selma:** First S. S., Lincoln Mem., 1.20. **Thorsby:** Ch., 8; S. S., 2.12; C. E. Soc., 3.88. **Troy:** Ch., 1.

LOUISIANA—$46.06.

New Orleans: "A Friend," for Kindergarten, Athens, Ga., 22.50.

Woman's Missionary Union of Louisiana. Abbeville: St. Mary's W. M. S., 5.25. **Belle Place:** W. M. S., 2. **Lake Charles:** W. M. S., 1.35. **New Iberia:** W. M. S., of St. Paul's Ch., 10.23. **New Orleans:** Beecher Memorial, W. M. S., 2.84; Central Ch., 1.89. Total for repairs Straight College, $23.56.

TEXAS—$7.15.

Austin: Y. W. C. A., of Tillotson College, for Furnishings, 4.05. **Paris:** Cong'l Dist. Assoc., for Tillotson College, 3.10.

FLORIDA—$92.80.

Arch Creek: Ch., for West Tampa, 1. **Destin:** Ch., 2. **Ocala:** Carter's Bakery, 5; Ocala Seed Store, 5; H. B. Master's Co., 5; Mr. Crory's, 5; F. P. G., 5; J. J. Gerigs' Drug Store, 2; H. D. Stokes, 2; Marion Hardware Co., 2; E. T. H., 2; W. C., 1; J. B. H., 1; C. R. S., 50c for Fessenden Academy, Fessenden, Florida. **Orange City:** S. S., for West Tampa, 2.30. **St. Petersburg:** Ch., for West Tampa, 25. **Stuart:** Rev. D., for Fessenden Academy, 1.

Woman's Home Missionary Union of Florida, Mrs. W. J. Drew, Treas. **Lake Helen:** Aux., 13, for West Tampa, Fla.; S. S., 3. **West Palm Beach:** Young Women's Guild, 10. Total, $26.

From Congregational Education Society, Boston, Mass., for Southwestern Missions, $1,000.00.

Summary of Receipts for May, 1917.

Donations	$17,173.64
From Cong'l Ed. Soc.	1,000.00
Legacies	13,193.99
Total	$31,367.63

Summary of Receipts Eight Months.

From October 1, 1916, to May 31, 1917.

Donations	$147,474.30
From Cong'l. Ed. Soc.	7,000.00
Legacies	53,078.50
Total	$207,552.80

Daniel Hand Endowment Fund.

From Estate of Daniel Hand, additional .. $950.00

Congregational Church Building Society

Charles H. Baker, Treasurer - 287 Fourth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

Receipts for January, February and March, 1917

Continued from June number

IDAHO—

Lewiston: Pilgrim, 100.

ILLINOIS—

Chicago: Bethesda, 235. **Rogers Park:** 1st, 1,000.

INDIANA—

Indianapolis: Peoples, 50.

IOWA—

Aurelia: 1st, 50. **Centerville:** Swedish, 60. **Oskaloosa:** 1st, 100.

KANSAS—

Anthony: 1st, 200. **Argentine:** 225. **Manhattan:** 1st, 100. **Wichita:** College Hill, 250; Fairmount, 300.

LOUISIANA—

New Orleans: Beecher Mem., 15.

MAINE—

Lincoln: 1st, 100. **Millinocket:** 55. **York:** Union, 200.

MARYLAND—

Capitol Hts.: 50. **Frostburg:** 25.

MASSACHUSETTS—

Amherst: Hope, 89.58. **Haverhill:** Riverside, 90.

MICHIGAN—

Clare: 135. **East Lansing:** Peoples, 300. **Howard City:** 50. **Long Rapids:** 1st, 50. **Traverse City:** 1st, 525.

MINNESOTA—

Elmdale: Slavonic, 70. **International Falls:** Beth., 50. **Minneapolis:** Forest Hts., 250; Linden Hills, 240; Vine, 200. **Waubun:** 20.

MISSOURI—

De Soto: 1st, 50. **Kansas City:** Ivanhoe Park, 100. **St. Joseph:** East Side, 25.

MONTANA—

Hardin: 1st, 50. **Helena:** 1st, 200. **Roundup:** 1st, 250.

NEBRASKA—

Chadron: 1st, 1.40. **Doniphan:** 1st, 50. **Grand Island:** 150. **Hastings:** 1st, 325. **Lincoln:** Swedish, 250. **Omaha:** 1st German, 50; 3rd, 500.

NEW JERSEY—

Bernardsville: 1st, 62.50. **Vineland:** Pilgrims, 25.

NEW YORK—

Buffalo: Pilgrim, 100. **Jamestown:** Danish, 100; Pilgrim Mem., 100. **Mt. Vernon:** 1st, 100. **Norwood:** 1st, 250.

NORTH DAKOTA—

Cleveland: Wirt Mem., 50. **Glen Ullin:** 150. **Hankinson:** 100. **Harvey:** 100. **Hettinger:** 1st, 60. **Mott:** 1st, 50. **Pingree:** 1st, 30.

OHIO—

Ashtabula: 2nd, 250. **Columbus:** Eastwood, 98.25. **Martins Ferry:** 1st, 500.

OREGON—

Portland: Ger. Zion, 300.

PENNSYLVANIA—

Allegheny: Slovac, 200. **Minersville:** 1st, 70. **Philadelphia:** Park, 800. **Scranton:** 120.

SOUTH DAKOTA—

Geddes: 1st, 220. **Mitchell:** 500. **Wakonda:** 1st, 100.

WASHINGTON—

Cheney: 1st, 100. **Colfax:** Plymouth, 1,550. **Everett:** 1st, 250. **Kennewick:** 1st, 34.08. **Malden:** 1st, 25. **Monroe:** 1st, 80. **Seattle:** Keystone, 100; University, 200.

WISCONSIN—

Shullsburg: 1,839. **South Milwaukee:** 1st, 100; German, 66.50. **Warren:** 250.

WYOMING—

Sheridan: 1st, 100. **Wheatland:** Union, 50.

CHURCH LOAN CONTRIBUTIONS.

Holyoke, Mass.: J. K. J., 25.

ANNUITIES—$13,800.00.

E. J. C., New Milford, Conn., 500. E. L. H., Worcester, Mass., 2,500. R. L. H., Worcester, Mass., 3,500. M. L., Concord, N. H., 300. G. M., Rutland, Vt., 1,000. Lowell, Mass., A Friend, 6,000.

LEGACIES—$3,553.11.

Estate of Maria Ames, Boston, Mass., 119. Estate of Nancy Chase, Burlington, Vt., 459.53. Estate of Thomas Hill, Westport, Conn., 1,474.58. Estate of Maria Holyoke, Chicago, Ill., 250. Estate of Russell Snow, Cambridge, Mass., 250. Estate of Henry Taylor, Ashfield, Mass., 1,000.

INTEREST ON CHURCH LOANS—$1,867.11

Texarkana, Arkansas, 1st, 69. Porterville, 1st, California, 38.50. Whittier, Plymouth, California, 30. Denver, City Park, Colorado, 28. Bridgeport, Swed., Connecticut, 45. Boise City, Idaho, 45. Austin, 1st, Illinois, 32. Chicago, Morgan Park, Illinois, 35. Rogers Park, 1st, 105. E. Chicago, 1st, Indiana, 48. Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, 1st, 33. Oskaloosa, 1st, Iowa, 50. Waterloo, Plymouth, 1st, 48.23. Wareham, 1st, Mass., 36. East Lansing, Peoples, Mich., 21. Traverse City, 1st, Mich., 20. Glenwood, Union, Minn., 6.80. Kansas City, Prospect, Mo., 40. St. Louis, Cheltenham, Mo., 35. Grantwood, New Jersey, 28. Buffalo, Pilgrim, New York, 41. Jamestown, Pilgrim, New York, 35. Mt. Vernon, 1st, New York, 147. New York Trinity, New York, 50. White Plains, Westchester, 81. Woodhaven, Christ, 42. Cincinnati, Plymouth, Ohio, 200. Cleveland, Swedish, Ohio, 21. Lorain, 2nd, Ohio, 12.50. Martins Ferry, 1st, Ohio, 10. Muskogee, 1st, Oklahoma, 35. Hood River, Riverside, Ore., 28.50. Portland, Ger. Zion, Ore., 27. Phila, Kensington, Penn., 54. Phila, Park, Penn., 12. Redfield, So. Dakota, 12. Chattanooga, Pilgrim, Tenn., 50. Kennewick, 1st, Washington, 53.88. Seattle, University, Washington, 31.70. Racine, Plymouth, Wisconsin, 36. Sheridan, 1st, Wyoming, 44.

INT. ON BANK ACCTS., ETC.—$1,302.57.

Astor Trust Co., 15.72. Delta, Pa., 1,187.60. Franklin Trust Co., 63.12. New Duluth, Minn., 1.13. Ritzville, Wash. 1st Ger.. 35.

INTEREST & DIVIDENDS—$2,331.25.

Amer. Tel. & Tel. Co. (coupons), 500. Aurora Elgin Ohio R. R., 125. Boston & Lowell R. R., 60. B. & O. R. R., div. due, 50. Cato, N. Y.—C. E. Hickok, 80. City of N. Y. (coupons), 75. Conn. & Pass. Rivers R. R., 12. Concord & Montreal, 5.25. Cleveland Trust Co., 17.50. Chicago Rock Is. & Pac., 200. Fairbanks-Morse Co., 31.50. Kings Co. El. R. R. (coupons), 500. Lawyers Mortgage Co., 137.50. L. I. R. R. (coupons), 500. N. Y. Central R. R. div. due, 12.50. Springfield F. & M., 25.

PARTICULAR CHURCHES—$64.34.

Lyons, South, Colo., 10. Newark, N. J. 25. Oberlin, 2nd, Ohio, 29.34.

MISCELLANEOUS—$5,233.23.

Asbury Park, N. J., 4,304.47. Amer. Exp. Co., refund, 53c. Cong. S. S. Soc., rent, 49.49. Des Moines, Ia., 60. Exchange of Securities, 600. Middletown Springs, Vt., 10c. J. Mears, return of Annuity, 9.75. Notary fees, 12.20. Oak Park, Ill., 150. Pittsburg, Pa., taxes refund, 5.23. Sunnyside, Wash., ins. prem., 40. Western Union, refund, 1.46.

FOR PARSONAGE BUILDING—$10,485.25.

CALIFORNIA—

Beckwith: 1st, 85. **Campbell:** (L. B.), 1,000. **Monrovia:** 1st, 150. **Pasadena:** North, 50. **Rocklin:** 12.50. **San Francisco:** Bethlehem, 36. **Wasco:** 1st, 15.

COLORADO—

Craig: 1st, 55. **Denver:** Globeville, 1st, 50. **Fort Collins:** German, 50. **Julesburg:** 1st, 25. **Paonia:** 1st, 150. **Redvale:** 1st, 2.90.

CONNECTICUT—

Bristol: (C. F. B.), 10. **Hartford:** (E. W. H.), 10. **Meriden:** (W. H. C.), 5. **Middletown:** (M. L. P.), 50. **New London:** A friend, 25. **North Granby:** Swedish, 25. **Norwich:** (F. D. C.), 5. **Saybrook:** (A. A. A.), 5. **South Manchester:** (M. C.), 10. **Southport:** (F. W.), 5. **Wallingford:** (M. C. K.), 25.

W. H. M. U. Cheshire: 10. **Bloomfield:** 10. **Essex:** 25. **Higganum:** 10. **Ivoryton:** 12. **Middleton:** 15. **Preston City:** 10. **West Haven:** 25. **Winsted:** 2nd, 13.

FLORIDA—

Lake Helen: 1st, 210.

IDAHO—

Kellogg: Plymouth, 15. **Lewiston:** Orchards, 25.

ILLINOIS—

Blue Island: 1st, 37.50. **Chicago:** Wellington Ave., 150. **Paxton:** (M. E. S.), 10.

IOWA—

Belle Plaine: 1st, 50. **Eddyville:** 1st, 20. **Mt. Pleasant:** 57.25. **Riceville:** (D. W. K.), 40.

W. H. M. U. Burlington: 27.62. **Central City:** 3. **Cedar Falls:** 5.15. **Cherokee:** 1.13. **Chester:** 2.47. **Clarion:** 10. **Council Bluffs:** 4.08. **Cresco:** 1.20. **Creston:** 66c. **Davenport:** Edwards, 4.56. **Decorah:** 2.53. **Dubuque:** Summit, 3.34. **Earlville:** 3. **Eldora:** 15. **Farragut:** 2.50. **Fayette:** 66c. **Fort Dodge:** 5. **Glenwood:** 1.33. **Grinnell:** 35.15. **Harlan:** 2.72. **Independance:** 2. **Manchester:** 4.06. **Mt. Pleasant:** 1.06. **Muscatine:** 6.66. **Newburg:** 1.60. **Newell:** 2.53. **New Hampton:** 79c. **Newton:** 15. **Old Mans Creek:** 3. **Osage:** 10.26. **Perry:** 1.52. **Red Oak:** 2. **Strawberry Point:** 1.20. **Victor:** 1.20. **Webster City:** 7. **Whiting:** 15. **Wittenburg:** 4.66.

KANSAS—

Douglass: 24. **Seneca:** 1st, 50.

LOUISIANA—

Lake Charles: Redeemer, 28.80; Woodbury, 7.50.

MAINE—

Ashland: Union, 50. **Calais:** A friend, 2. **Cumberland Center:** (J. B. P.), 1. **Hampden:** (S. C. C.), 100. **Lincoln:** 1st, 30. **Masardis:** 20. **Portland:** Free, 75. **South Berwick:** (H. D. S.), 50.

MASSACHUSETTS—

Bedford: (A. W. H.), 25. **Beverly:** (S. E. T.), 20. **Boston:** (M. A. S.), 50; (J. C.), 3. **Brookline:** (P. P. E.), 100. **Campello:** (L. D.), 2. **Dalton:** (C. L. C.), 75. **Fall River:**

(H. A. B.), 5. **Falmouth:** (R. A. H.), 5. **Framingham:** (C. K.), 3. **Gloucester:** (M. B.), 5. **Great Barrington:** (M. L. C.), 5. **Lenox:** (C. A. S.), 5. **Lincoln:** (G. T.), 5. **Lowell:** (J. E. W.), 2. **Malden:** (C. T. B.), 2. **Medway:** (E. F.), 2. **Newton Highlands:** (S. J. H.), 25; (A. J. C.), 5. **Newtonville:** (E. A. R.), 2. **North Easton:** Swedish, 50. **Oakham:** (T. F. R.), 10. **Petersham:** (A. D. M.), 25. **Smiths:** (Mrs. M.), 10. **Springfield:** (H. M. B.), 200. **Stockbridge:** (C. S. F. D.), 5; (C. D.), 3. **Stow:** (L. S. C.), 25. **Wellesley Farms:** A friend, 75. **West Medway:** (S. R. K.), 19. **West Springfield:** (H. B.), 100.

W. H. M. A. For parsonage at Hettinger, N. D., 400.

MICHIGAN—

Au Gres: German, 50. **Onondaga:** 1st, 20.

MINNESOTA—

Ada: 40. **Freeborn:** 30. **Mankato:** 1st, 33.75. **Minneapolis:** Fremont Ave., 200. **Morris:** 1st, 75. **Sauk Rapids:** 1st, 35.

MONTANA—

Hardin: 60. **Hedgesville:** 25.

NEBRASKA—

Lincoln: Swedish, 200. **McCook:** Ger., 350. **Uehling:** 1st, 30.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—

Bennington: (C. M. W.), 25. **Keene:** (S. W.), 5. **Lisbon:** (M. R. C.), 5. **Rindge:** (E. L. W.), 2.

NEW JERSEY—

Chatham: Stanley: 100. **Orange:** (F. B. S.), 3.

NEW MEXICO—

Los Ranchos de Atrisco: 5.16.

NEW YORK—

Brooklyn: (M. L. R.), 50. **Cortland:** (M. K. H.), 2; (A. M. W.), 2. **Jamestown:** Pilgrim, 50. **Lebanon:** 5. **Moravia:** (W. C. T.), 12.50. **Mt. Vernon:** (M. B.), 2. **New York:** (E. B.), 25. **Pine Island:** German, 25. **Portchester:** 500. **Richmond Hill:** (W. A. S.), 2. **Saratoga Springs:** (M. L. R.), 100. **Syracuse:** (J. C. R.), 5. **Wadhams:** (A. M. S.), 5.

NORTH DAKOTA—

Bowman: Union, 20. **Cando:** 200. **Fargo:** Plymouth, 50. **Flasher:** 1st, 25. **Marmarth:** Union, 200. **McHenry:** 75. **Mohall:** Union, 20. **Nekoma:** 20. **New England:** 1st, 40. **New Rockford:** 1st, 50. **Oriska:** Union, 30. **Regan:** 35. **Regent:** 40. **Sentinel Butte:** 1st, 25. **Wing:** 1st, 93.75. **Williston:** 60.

OHIO—

Twinsburg: (C. E. W.), 500.

OKLAHOMA—

Alva: 32. **Breckenridge:** 1st, 15. **Pond Creek:** Union, 15. **Waynoka:** 10. **West Guthrie:** Union, 13.50.

OREGON—

St. Helens: Plymouth, 50. **Salem:** 1st, 110.

PENNSYLVANIA—

Edwardsville: Bethesda, 50. **Philadelphia:** (F. S. A.), 15. **Shenandoah City:** 1st, 50.

RHODE ISLAND—

Pawtucket: Smithfield Ave., 125. **Peacedale:** (C. H.), 25; (H. H. B.), 25.

W. H. M. A. **See Mass. W. H. M. A.**

SOUTH DAKOTA—

Akaska: 100. **Bryant:** 25. **Clear Lake:** 1st, 40. **Cottonwood:** 17.50. **Houghton:** 20. **Mitchell:** 80. **Underwood:** 75. **Wakonda:** 1st, 75.

TEXAS—

Dallas: Central, 150.

UTAH—

Salt Lake City: Phillips, 75.

VERMONT—

Barre: 3. **Barton:** 3. **Burlington:** (H. S. W.), 5. **Newbury:** (J. B. L.), 10. **North Troy:** 1st, 45. **St. Johnsbury:** North, 15. **Springfield:** (L. P. H.), 25. **Waterbury:** (J. B. S.), 5. **West Brattleboro:** (W. H. B.), 5.

WASHINGTON—

Anacortes: Pilgrim, 25. **Batum:** German, 25. **Colfax:** Plymouth, 675. **Lowell:** Union, 12.50. **Pasco:** 1st, 10. **Ralston:** Salem, 35. **Rosedale:** 20. **Trent:** 1st, 15.

WISCONSIN—

Embarrass: 20. **New London:** 1st, 50. **Oshkosh:** 120. **Solon Springs:** 1st, 60. **Trego:** 1st, 17.50.

WYOMING—

Pinedale: 1st, 25.

TOTALS

For Church Building	$85,570.07
For Parsonage Building	10,485.25
For Particular Churches	64.34
	$78,067.97

Congregational Education Society

S. F. Wilkins, Treasurer - 14 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass.

May, 1917

ALABAMA—$3.43.

Montgomery: 1st, 73c. **Selma:** 1st S. S., 1.20. **Talladega:** 1st S. S., 1.50.

ARIZONA—$0.75.

Phoenix: 75c.

CALIFORNIA (Northern)—$36.40.

Saratoga: Friend, 10.

Woman's Home Missionary Union: Berkeley: 1st, 2.70. **Ceres:** 15c. **Eureka:** 15c. **Fresno:** Pilgrim, 30c. **Grass Valley:** 10c. **Likely:** 10c. **Mill Valley:** 10. **Murphys:** 10c. **Niles:** 10c. **Oakland:** Boulevard, 15; Calvary, 30c; First, 6.15; Fruitvale, 10c; Olivet, 10c; Pilgrim, 65c; Plymouth, 1.08. **Oroville:** 14c. **Pacific Grove,** 43c. **Porterville:** 33c. **Redwood:** 38c. **Sacramento:** 83c. **San Rafael:** 10c. **Saratoga:** 54c. **Sebastapol:** 17c. **San Juan:** 10c. **Sonoma:** 30c. **Stockton:** 75c. **Sunnyvale:** 10c.

CALIFORNIA (Southern)—$11.89.

Chula Vista: 25c. **E. Highlands:** Friend, 2. **Graham:** 11c. **Lemon Grove:** 20c. **Long Beach:** 1.25. **Los Angeles:** Athens, 12c; Bethany, 7c; First, 4.38; Messiah, 1.50; Olivet, 15c. **Pasadena:** Pilgrim, 19c. **Pomona:** 1.35. **San Bernadino:** First, 17c. **San Jacinto:** 5c. **Sherman:** 10c.

COLORADO—$35.00.

Colorado Springs: First, 9.26. **Colorado Springs:** Friend, 1. **Cripple Creek:** 60c.

Denver: 4th Ave. S. S., 8.14; Ohio Ave., 12. **Pueblo:** Irving Pl. S. S., 4.

CONNECTICUT—$656.67.

Bristol: 89. **Deep River:** 1st, 5.49. **Guilford:** 1st S. S., 10; 3rd, 2.40. **Hartford:** South Bible Sch., 20. **Milford:** 1st, 23.56. **New Haven:** 1st, 68. Friend, 250. **New London:** 2nd S. S., 47.48. **Newtown:** S. S., 4.41. **No. Woodstock:** 1.75. **Pomfret:** S. S., 1.66. **Seymour:** S. S., 4.30. **Southport:** Friend, 10; Friend, 10. **Stafford:** West, 2. **Terryville:** Plymouth S. S., 1.55. **Thompson:** S. S., 4.10. **Watertown:** 1st, 7.60. **Willington:** 2.70. **Woodbury:** 1st, 5.67.

Woman's Home Missionary Union: Burlington: W. S., 3. **Hartford:** Asy. Hill H. M. Dept., 25; Immanual H. Miss. Dept., 24. **Middletown:** So. Union Soc., 25. **West Hartford:** H. M. S., 8.

FLORIDA—$4.26.

Destin: S. S., 2. **West Tampa:** Union S. S., 2.26.

GEORGIA—$1.00.

Waycross: Whitehall S. S., 1.

IDAHO—$0.20.

Westlake: 20.

ILLINOIS—$985.54.

Avon: 5. **Blue Island:** S. S., 4. **Bowen:** 5. **Canton:** 4.07. **Chicago:** Calif. Ave. S. S., 8.20; Madison Ave. S. S., 3; Pilgrim S. S., 15; Pilgrim Ch., 10.02; Friend, 5; Friend, 1; Friend, 10; Friend, 5. **Elburn:** S. S., 2.60. **Evanston:** Friend, 5. **Geneva:** S. S., 1.60. **Gridley:** S. S., 5. **Kewanee:** 1st, 3. **Lacon:** S. S., 3. **LaGrange:** 1st, 23.40. **Lockport:** 88c. **Oak Park:** 3rd, 3.57. **Plymouth:** 2. **Prophetstown:** 1st S. S., 3.60. **Rockford:** 2nd, 104.61. **St. Charles:** S. S., 5.47. **Sterling:** 4.50. **Waverly:** 2. **Westville:** S. S., 74c.

Woman's Home Missionary Union. Abingdon: W. S., 1.25. **Alto Pass:** W. S., 3.30. **Aurora:** 1st W. S., 10. **Beardstown:** S. S., 6. **Bloomington:** W. S., 1. **Bowen:** 2.35; W. S., 6. **Canton:** W. S., 5. **Chicago:** Community W. S., 5; Leavitt St. W. S., 10.65; Morgan Park W. S., 18.50; New First W. S., 12.30; S. S., 5; Rogers Park W. S., 35; S. S., 15; So. Home Dept., 1.25; Univer. W. S., 2; Warren Ave. Miss. Study Club, 4; Waveland Ave. S. S., 12. **Decatur:** W. S., 10; S. S., 2. **DeKalb:** W. S., 1.50. **Dover:** W. S., 2; S. S., 4. **Elgin:** 1st W. S., 25. **Evanston:** 1st 15; W. S., 28. **Forrest:** S. S., 1.50. **Genesco:** W. S., 2. **Granville:** S. S., 7; W. S., 10. **Hinsdale:** W. S., 35. **Jacksonville:** S. S., 4. **La Grange:** W. S., 61.25. **Loda:** S. S., 3.20. **La Moille:** W. S., 1. **Mattoon:** First W. S., 2. **Maywood:** 1st W. S., 2.50. **Melvin:** S. S., 2.05. **Naperville:** W. S., 16.50. **North Shore:** W. S., 56.52. **Oak Park:** 3rd W. S., 67; N. Berwyn W. S., 5. **Park Manor:** W. S., 1. **Paxton:** W. S., 15. **Peoria:** W. S., 5. **Plainfield:** S. S., 2.60. **Providence:** Tiskilwa, 3.35. **Quincy:** 1st Union W. S., 7.55. **Ravenswood:** S. S., 5. **Roberts:** S. S., 2. **Rock Falls:** W. S., 3. **Rockford:** 2nd W. S., 26.82. **Rollo:** W. S., 12.50. **Roscoe:** W. S., 2. **Sandwich:** W. S., 40. **Seward:** W. S., 4. **Sheffield:** W. S., 18.90. **Springfield:** 1st W. S., 5. **Summerdale:** W. S., 5. **Tabernacle:** W. S., 2. **Tonica:** S. S., 1.68. **Toulon:** W. S., 5. **Waverly:** S. S., 2.50. **Wheaton:** S. S., 25. **Winnetka:** W. S., 13. **Yorkville:** S. S., 5.76.

IOWA—$566.80.

Atlantic: S. S., 2.80. **Ames:** Friend, 5. **Avoca:** 1st S. S., 2.30. **Belle Plaine:** S. S., 6.40. **Blencoe:** S. S., 2.70. **Burlington:** S. S., 7. **Cedar Rapids:** Bethany S. S., 8.69; First, 3.80. **Chester:** Ch., 6.28; S. S., 1.78. **Clarion:** S. S., 5.71. **Danville:** S. S., 2. **Davenport:** Berea S S., 4.13; Edwards S. S., 6.28. **Decorah:** S. S., 3.08. **Dubuque:** 1st 9.38. **Dunlap:** S. S., 3. **Gaza:** 3. **Grand View:** S. S., 67c. **Grinnell:** Friend, 5. **Iowa City:** 7.50. **Lake View:** 3.71. **La Moille:** S. S., 1.88. **Milford:** S. S., 4. **Moorland:** 3. **Muscatine:** 1st S. S., 4; Mulford, 3.36. **Old Man's Creek:** S. S., 1.40. **Onawa:** S. S., 5.10. **Orchard:** S. S., 3. **Oskaloosa:** S. S., 4.58. **Ottumwa:** 1st, 8; Plymouth S. S., 4. **Perry:** 1.25. **Rockford:** S. S., 2.50. **Shell Rock:** 77c. **Shenandoah:** Friend, 1. **Sioux City:** Friend, 10. **Sioux Rapids:** S. S., 5.47. **Steamboat Rock:** 1. **Stuart:** S. S., 2.24. **Tabor:** S. S., 12. **Waterloo:** Plymouth S. S., 2. **Waverly:** S. S., 4. **Webster City:** 8.75. **Whiting:** S. S., 5.

Woman's Home Missionary Union. Alden: 10. **Algona:** 1.92. **Anita:** 1.77. **Atlantic:** 2.25. **Bear Grove:** 1. **Belle Plaine:** 3.75. **Blairsburg:** 1.25. **Blencoe:** 84c. **Cedar Falls:** 16.91. **Cedar Rapids:** 1st, 3.80. **Centerdale:** 3.50. **Central City:** 4. **Cherokee:** 3.12. **Chester:** 1.25. **Clay:** 86c. **Clinton:** 1.63. **Corning:** 2.38. **Council Bluffs:** 1st, 3.12. **Cresco:** 4.17. **Creston:** 1st, 15. **Davenport:** Berea, 50c; Edwards, 3.64. **Denmark:** 2.97. **Des Moines:** Glenwood, 4.05; Plymouth, 9.52. **Dubuque:** 1st, 3.12; Summit, 1.67. **Eddyville:** 1. **Edgewood:** 88c. **Elkader:** 1.17. **Farmington:** 1.56. **Fayette:** 83c. **Garner:** 1.84. **Gilman:** 1.87. **Glenwood:** 2. **Green Mountain:** 4.10. **Grinnell:** 9. **Hampton:** 8.50; S. S., 5.07. **Hawarden:** 2.08. **Iowa City:** 2.76. **Lewis:** 1.67. **Lyons:** 5. **McGregor:** 1.54. **Marion:** 5. **Marshalltown:** 8.66; Cov. Daugh., 2.92. **Mason City:** 4.58. **Maquoketa:** 2.08. **Montour:** 2.08; Friend, 100. **Muscatine:** 1st, 1.75. **Nashua:** 1.84. **New Hampton:** 56c. **Ogden:** 1. **Olds:** 1.67. **Onawa:** 15.96. **Osage:** 2.50. **Oskaloosa:** 59c. **Ottumwa:** 1st, 70c; Abigal Soc., 2.50; Plymouth, 2.50. **Parkersburg:** 42c. **Perry:** 2.50. **Postville:** 2. **Red Oak:** 2. **Rowan:** 1.67. **Sheldon:** 4.47; S. S., 3.03. **Shenandoah:** 11.20. **Sibley:** 4.38. **Sioux City:** Mayflower, 2.50. **Sloan:** 1.70. **Spencer:** 6.67. **Strawberry Point:** 50c. **Stuart:** 5. **Webster:** 1. **Winthrop:** 3.50.

KANSAS—$23.00.

Arkansas City: 2.67; S. S., 1.33. **Centralia:** Friend, 5. **Wellington:** 1st, 14.

MAINE—$26.00.

Brunswick: 1st Parish, 14. **Freeport:** 1st S. S., 2. **Kennebunkport:** So., 1. **Princeton:** 1. **South Berwick:** 5. **Waterville:** S. S., 3.

MASSACHUSETTS—$1,183.55.

Bedford: Ch. of Christ, 1.60. **Boston:** Central, 120; Brighton, 3.66; Hyde Park, 1st, 16; Dorchester Village Y. P. S., 1; Dorchester 2nd, 21.92; Dorchester Harvard, 11; Hyde Park, Friend, 10. **Bridgewater:** Scotland, 1.50. **Cohasset:** 2nd, 3.85. **Dover:** 1.03. **East Bridgewater:** Union, 6. **East Longmeadow:** 7. **Erving:** 2. **Everett:** 1st, 13.14. **Granby:** 1st S. S., 1. **Heath:** Union Evang., 6. **Holyoke:** Friend, 25. **Hudson:** 1st, 3. **Lanesboro:** 90c. **Marshfield:** 1st S. S., 5. **Natick:** 1st, 5. **Newburyport:** Central, 13.50; Friend, 10. **Newtonville:** Central, 42.50. **Northampton:** Florence, 6. **Norwood:** 1st, 29.62. **Oakham:** 12.50. **Revere:** Beachmont Trinity, 10. **Sharon:** 1st, 6.75. **Sherborn:** Pilgrim S. S., 1.25. **Swampscott:** 1st, 6.09. **Templeton:** Baldwinville Mem., 4. **Wellesley:** 29.69. **West Boylston:** 1st S. S., 10. **West Springfield:** 1st S. S., 2.34. **Worcester:** Plymouth, 23.71.

Mass. & R. I. W. H. M. U., $710.00.

MICHIGAN—$64.96.

Alamo: 90c. **Almont:** 1.50. **Charlotte:** 4.33. **Coral:** 1.80. **Dowagiac:** 3.06. **Eden:** 45c. **Grand Rapids:** East, 2.50. **Hartford:** 1.35. **New Haven:** 90c. **No. Crystal:** S. S., 22c. **Olivet:** 4.50. **Oxford:** 70c. **Romeo:** 2,50. **St. Clair:** 12. **Wyandotte:** 2,25.

Woman's Home Missionary Union. Allendale: 2. **Ludington:** 4. **Manistee:** 15. **Friend:** 5.

MINNESOTA—$245.43.

Akeley: 10c. **Alexandria:** 1.95. **Austin:** 2.51; S. S., 33c. **Backus:** 81c. **Barnesville:** 40c. **Border:** 40c. **Crookston:** S. S., 20. **Duluth:** 10.50. **Ellsworth:** 60c. **Fairmont:** 1.16. **Faribault:** 3.48. **Glyndon:** 14c. **Granite Falls:** 75c. **Hackensack:** 7c. **Hasty:** 12c. **Lake City:** 1st, 84c. **Lakeland:** 21c. **Mankato:** 1st, 51c. **Milaca:** 30c. **Minneapolis:** Fifth Ave., 2.25; First, 8.26; Forest Hts., 2.85; Lyndale, 85c; Lynnhurst, 36c; Linden Hills, 4.29; Open Door, 1.50; Park Ave., 2.96; S. S., 13.20; Pilgrim, 1.95; Plymouth, 24.90; Vine, 54c; Friend, 10; Friend, 5. **Morris:** 1. **New Ulm:** 3.40. **Northfield:** 15; Friend, 25; Friend, 5. **Orrock:** 3c. **St. Paul:** German's People, 2; Immanuel, 2.34; Olivet, 4.50; Pacific S. S., 6. **Selma:** S. S., 1.40. **Spring Valley:** 64c. **Swanville:** 20c. **Winthrop:** 79c. **Zumbrota:** 12.

Woman's Home Missionary Union. Alexandria: 5.50. **Cannon Falls:** 1st, 50c. **Cottage Grove:** 83c. **Dodge Center:** 66c. **Excelsior:** W. S., 98c. **Fairmount:** 55c. **Hawley:** W. S., 44c; S. S., 33c. **International Falls:** 25c. **Lake City:** 1st, 23c. **Marietta:** 39c. **Minneapolis:** Fifth Ave., 1.07; First, 82c; Linden Hills, 2.50; Lyndale, 1.43; Lynnhurst, 50c; Park Ave., 1.50; Pilgrim, 1.29; Plymouth, 13.68. **Montevideo:** 1.32. **Moorhead:** 1.10. **New York Mills:** 40c. **Northfield:** 5. **St. Paul:** Hazel Park, 15c; Immanuel, 60c; Olivet, 2.50; Univer. Ave., 60c. **Sleepy Eye:** 55c. **Winona:** 8.25.

MISSOURI—$5.00.

Kansas City: Friend, 5.

NEBRASKA—$7.25.

Burton: 43c. **Burwell:** 2.50. **Chadron:** 1.69. **Linwood:** 1.25. **Norfolk:** 1st, 62c; Omaha Ave. S. S., 76c.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—$103.61.

Alstead: East, 2.50. **Bath:** 3.50. **Concord:** 1st Jr. Dept., 91c. **Epping:** 5. **Franklin:** Village S. S., 2. **Lee:** 2. **Swanzey:** 3. S. S., 75c. **Tamworth:** 3.

F. C. I. & H. M. U. Andover: East, 47c. **Bethlehem:** 30c. **Boscawen:** 78c. **Brookline:** 19c. **Campton:** 84c. **Candia:** 67c. **Chichester:** No., 54c. **Claremont:** 62c. **Concord:** 1st, 2.94; East, 53c; South, 2.84; West, 1.50. **Derry:** East, 37c; Village, 1.88. **Epping:** 30c. **Exeter:** 1st, 1.68; Phillips, 1.20. **Farmington:** 1.50. **Franconia:** 18c. **Gilmanton:** 30c. **Goffstown:** 1.97. **Greenland:** 82c. **Hampstead:** 96c. **Henniker:** 1.02. **Hollis:** 1.04. **Hopkinton:** 18c. **Keene:** 1st, 9. **Laconia:** 1. **Lebanon:** 2.77; West, 1.80. **Littleton:** 1.63. **Lyme:** 1.21. **Manchester:** 1st, 1.80; Franklin St., 8.64. **Marlboro:** 65c. **Meredith:** 37c. **Merrimack:** 1.11. **Mont Vernon:** 28c. **Nashua:** 1st, 11.90; Pilgrim, 1.22. **New Boston:** 54c. **Newfields:** 30c. **Newport:** 96c. **No. Hampton:** 1.29. **Pembroke:** 51c. **Peterboro:** 72c. **Piermont:** 30c. **Pittsfield:** 50c. **Plymouth:** 90c. **Raymond:** 60c. **Sanbornton:** 2.22. **Somersworth:** 1.30. **Wakefield:** 48c. **Walpole:** 99c. **Wolfeboro:** 34c.

NEW JERSEY—$19.25.

Closter: 1st S. S., 4.25. **East Orange:** 1st S. S., 10. **Jersey City:** Waverly, 5.

NEW YORK—$854.26.

Aquebogue: 93c. **Bristol:** E. Bloomfield 1st, 19.64. **Canandaigua:** Friend, 5. **Churchville:** S. S., 2.25. **East Rockaway:** Bethany 6. **Gaines:** 95c. **Honeoye:** 1.35. **Lisle:** S. S., 1.20. **New York:** Forest Ave. S. S., 10; Brooklyn Ch. of the Pilgrims, 35; Flatbush, 49.64; Woodhaven, Christ Bible Sch., 4.88; Friend, 3. **Poughkeepsie:** 1st, 7.50; Friend, 25. **Watertown:** 1.08. **Westmoreland:** Ch. & S. S., 2.

Woman's Home Missionary Union. Albany: W. S., 50. **Antwerp:** W. A., 8; C. E., 2. **Binghamton:** 5. **Buffalo:** 1st W. S., 5; S. S., 6.09. **Brookton:** M. S., 3. **Candor:** W. S., 10. **Corning:** M. S., 5. **Cortland:** 1st W. M., 20. **Eldred:** L. A., 3. **Elmira:** St. Luke's S. S., 10; Class No. 4, 65. **Fairport:** W. M., 3. **Fulton:** S. S., 4. **Jamesport:** W. M., 4. **Madrid:** W. H., 25. **Maine:** W. S., 5. **Massena:** M. S., 6.25. **Morristown:** W. H. M., 7. **Newark Valley:** W. M., 5. **New York:** North L. A., 5; Brooklyn Central L. B., 50; Brooklyn Clinton Ave. W. L., 62.50; Brooklyn Ch. of Evan. W. A., 20; Brooklyn Ch. of Evan. Y. P. S., 5; Brooklyn Lewis Ave. E. W., 5; Brooklyn Lewis Ave. Esther M. S., 5; Brooklyn Ocean Ave. W. L., 6; Brooklyn Ch. of Pilgs. W. G., 30; Brooklyn Tompkins Ave. W. U., 25; Brooklyn Tompkins Ave. S. S., 10; Brooklyn Puritan Chapel Children, 7.50; Broadway Taber. S. for W. W., 3; Brooklyn Hills W. A., 5; Flushing 1st W. S., 10; Woodhaven Christ L. S., 3; Woodhaven 1st J. S., 5. **Norwich:** W. H., 10. **Ontario:** W. S., 2.50; E. W., 4. **Orwell:** W. H., 1. **Oswego:** W. M., 10; **Owego:** M. S., 10. **Patchogue:** W. S., 10. **Portland:** L. C. & L. M. S., 10. **Richville:** Cross Circle, 4. **Rochester:** So. Cradle Roll, 3; Whatsoever C., 5. **Rodman:** W. S., 4. **Rushville:** W. S., 3. **Salamanca:** M. S., 3. **Syracuse:** Good Will S. S., 15; Prim. S. S., 2; Plymouth W. G., 30. **Utica:** Plymouth Carey Circle K. G., 20. **Walton:** W. U., 7. **Watertown:** P. A., 4. **Wellsville:** 10. **Westmoreland:** L. A., 3.

NORTH DAKOTA—$24.35.

Anamoose: 1st, 2. **Benedict:** 1st, 2. **Deering:** S. S., 2. **Elbowoods:** 2. **Harvey:** 6. **Max:** 1st S. S., 1.52. **Medina:** 1st S. S., 1. **Pierce:** S. S., 3. **Plaza:** S. S., 1.43. **Regent:** S. S., 3.40.

OHIO—$323.84.

Akron: West, 8.50. **Brownhelm:** S. S., 3.70. **Cleveland:** Collinwood: 1.60; Grace, 2.20; Hough Ave., 13.81; Park, 5; Trinity, 3.50. **Columbus:** Eastwood, 8.40; Mayflower S. S., 4. **Cuyahoga Falls:** 2.75. **Greenwich:** 40c. **Lakewood:** 2.25. **Mansfield:** 1st, 25.95; Mayflower, 3.75. **Mt. Vernon:** 10. **Oberlin:** 2nd, 12.03; Friend, 10. **Springfield:** Lagonda Ave., 8.80. **Strongsville:** 6.60. **Tallmadge:** S. S., 6. **Toledo:** Friend, 10. **Twinsburg:** Ch., 2.25; S. S., 1.05.

Woman's Home Missionary Union. Alexis: L. S., 35c. **Ashtabula:** 2nd M. S., 75c. **Belpre:** W. M. S., 1. **Berlin Heights:** M. S., 68c. **Berea:** S. S., 50c; C. E., 50c. **Chagrin Falls:** W. M. S., 65c. **Cuyahoga Falls:** L. M. S., 63c; S. S., 50c; C. E., 50c. **Cleveland:** Collinwood, 2; 1st W. A., 3.20; K. D. C., 1; Grace W. S., 1; Highland W. A., 55c; Hough W. S., 5; North C. E., 50c; Pilgrim P. W., 7.50; Y. W. G., 10; Plymouth W. S., 1.25; Trinity L. A. S., 1.68. **Columbus:** Grand View W. S., 70c; Mayflower L. M. S., 1; Plymouth L. S., 1.75. **East Cleveland:** Calvary L. A., 40c. **Elyria:** 1st W. A., 5; S. S., 44.56. **Fairport:** 45c. **Geneva:** W. G., 2.50. **Kent:** 1st W. S., 70c; S. S., 25c. **Kirtland:** M. S., 47c; S. S., 63c. **Lima:** M. S., 65c. **Lorain:** 3rd L. A., 60c; S. S., 10c. **Mallet Creek:** L. M. S., 1.23. **Marblehead:** L. A. S., 2.30; C. E., 40c. **Marysville:** W. S., 60c; C. E., 40c; S. S., 30c. **Medina:** M. S., 2.90. **Newton Falls:** W. M. S., 80c. **No. Fairfield:** S. S., 70c; M. S., 70c. **No. Olmstead:** L. A., 58c. **Painesville:** S. S., 10. **Sandusky:** Ch., 1.45; S. S., 20c; C. E., 25c. **Saybrook:** W. A., 35c. **Springfield:** 1st W. M. S., 2; Y. L., 50c. **Sullivan:** M. S., 93c. **Tallmadge:** W. H. M. S., 1.20. **Toledo:** Park W. A., 30c; Wash. St. S. S., 18. **Twinsburg:** W. M. S., 75c. **Unionville:** W. M. S.,

70c. **Wauseon:** S. S., 20.61. **Wellington:** W. A., 1.50. **West Williamsfield:** M. S., 90c. **Windham:** C. E., 1. **Youngstown:** Plymouth D. of C., 25c.

OKLAHOMA—$30.35.

Carrier: Friend, 5. **Jennings:** Friend, 25.

Woman's Home Missionary Union. Medford: W. M. U., 35c.

OREGON—$22.45.

Clackamas: 57c. **Oregon City:** 68c. **Portland:** Zion German, 20. **Smyrna:** 20c. **Willard:** 1.

PENNSYLVANIA—$26.00.

Milroy: White Mem. Ch., Beaver Band, 15. **Philadephia:** Park S. S., 5.

Woman's Home Missionary Union. Glenolden: L. A. S., 2; Y. P. S., 2. **Wyoming:** Fed., 2.

RHODE ISLAND—$23.03.

Auburn: Swedish, 1.62. **Central Falls:** 21.41.

SOUTH CAROLINA—$5.00.

Columbia: Friend, 5.

SOUTH DAKOTA—$119.21.

Centerville: 83c. **Clark:** S. S., 4.60. **Fairfax:** 3.34. **Geddes:** S. S., 2.20. **Huron:** 35c; S. S., 3.15. **Mission Hill:** S. S., 3.56. **Mitchell:** 2.47. **Myron:** S. S., 1.45. **Rapid City:** S. S., 3.51; Ch., 81c. **Redfield:** 1.75. **Sioux Falls:** Friend, 10.

Woman's Home Missionary Union. Aberdeen: W. M. S., 12.65. **Academy:** 1.15. **Alcester:** 1. **Athol:** 65c. **Beresford:** 2.35. **Brantford:** Naples, 2.56. **Canova:** 1.45. **Cherry Creek:** Indian, 50c. **Clark:** 1.10. **Deadwood:** 1. **De Smet:** S. S., 10. **Elk Point:** 3.30. **Ft. Pierre:** 80c. **Hudson:** 2. **Huron:** 2.80. **Ipswich:** 4. **Lake Preston:** 80c. **Loomis:** 40c. **Milbank:** 1.68. **Mitchell:** 2.90; Y. P. S., 7.50. **Oahe:** 48c. **Oldham:** 30c. **Pierre:** 1.42. **Rapid City:** 2.80. **Redfield:** 2.70. **Ree Heights:** 1.50. **Sioux Falls:** 56c. **Springfield:** 1.50. **Vermillion:** 1.92. **Watertown:** 3.05. **Willow Lakes:** 75c. **Yankton:** 3.62.

TENNESSEE—$11.00.

Nashville: Howard S. S., 1; Union W. S., 10.

TEXAS—$29.10.

Austin: 1st S. S., 2 45. **Dallas:** Central L. Miss. Soc., 25; Junius Hts. S. S., 1.65.

VERMONT—$639.96.

Bennington: 2nd, 9.24. **Cabot:** 7. **Charlotte:** 8.40. **Craftsbury:** No., 4.50. **Enosburg:** 1st, 10. **Pittsford:** S. S., 3.79. **Putney:** 3.75. **Thetford:** No., 4.10. **Underhill:** 4. **Williston:** 5. **Woodstock:** S. S., 14.03.

Woman's Home Missionary Union. Barton: W. S., 4; Y. P. S., 15. **Bellows Falls:** N. Assn., 10.90; S. S., 3; W. Campfire, 5. **Bennington:** 2nd W. S., 5; Y. P. S., 10; No. W. S., 6. **Berkshire:** W. S., 3. **Bradford:** W. U., 3. **Brandon:** W. S., 5. **Brattleboro:** Center W. A., 18.35; S. S., 20; West S. S., 10. **Brookfield:** 1st W. S., 4; 2nd W. S., 2. **Brownington:** Y. P. S., 5. **Burlington:** 1st W. A., 35. **Cambridge:** W. S., 3.60. **Charleston:** West W. S., 3; East Y. P. S., 2. **Chelsea:** S. P. Bacon B. S., 3; Y. P. S., 2.10. **Corinth:** East S. S., 1.50. **Cornwall:** Whatsoever Circle, 5. **Coventry:** W. S., 5. **Craftsbury:** No. Y. P. S., 5. **Danville:** W. S., 8.40. **Derby:** Y. P. S., 5. **Dorset:** Y. P. S., 5. **Essex Junction:** W. M. U., 2.65. **Fairlee:** W. S., 3. **Fair Haven:** W. S., 3. **Georgia:** W. S., 2.46. **Hubbardton:** Surprise Circle, 3.75. **Irasburg:** W. S., 2. **Jeffersonville:** S. S., 3.30; W. S., 2.70. **Jericho Center:** Y. P. S., 5.65. **Lyndonville:** W. S., 2.50. **Ludlow:** W. A., 6.10; Y. P. S., 5. **Manchester:** W. S., 3. **Middlebury:** W. A. H. & F. M., 14. **Milton:** W. A., 2. **Newbury:** W. S., 18.79; Y. P. S., 5. **Newport:** W. S., 6; Y. P. S., 10. **Northfield:** L. H. Circle, 2.50. **Orleans:** W. S., 4. **Orwell:** Y. P. S., 12.50. **Peacham:** W. S., 5; Laurel Band, 2. **Peru:** Y. P. S., 3. **Pittsford:** W. S., 6.25; A. A. W. Boardman Fund, 5. **Poultney:** East L. B. S., 1.25. **Randolph:** W. S., 5.36. **Richmond:** W. S., 1.29. **Rutland:** W. S., 40; A. K. D, 10. **Springfield:** W. S., 13. **St. Albans:** W. S., 5. **St. Johnsbury:** Center W. S., 2; No. W. A., 10; M. Round Table, 15; So. W. S., 15; Searchlight Club, 32.50. **Swanton:** W. S., 3. **Thetford:** L. B. S., 3. **Troy:** No. Y. P. S., 6. **Underhill:** H. Circle, 2. **Vergennes:** W. S., 5. **Waitsfield:** H. Circle, 3. **Wallingford:** W. S., 3. **Wells River:** Y. P. S., 20. **Westford:** Daisy Chain, 7.25. **Westminster:** W. S., 1.50. **Windsor:** W. H. M. & Ch. A. S., 3. **Woodstock:** W. S., 5.

VIRGINIA—$3.85.

Vanderwerken: 3.85.

WASHINGTON—$16.31.

Anacortes: 55c. **Bellingham:** 1.02. **Dennison:** 12c. **Harper:** 30c. **Lower Natches:** 3. **Monroe:** 1.24. **Orchard Pr.,** 40c. **Pullman:** 27c. **Richmond Beach:** 15c. **Seattle:** Fairmount, 1; Fauntleroy, 26c. **South Bend:** 1.50. **Tacoma:** Plymouth, 5. **Warden:** Frendenfeld, 1.50.

Total, $6,108.70.

The Congregational Sunday-School and Publishing Society

Samuel F. Wilkins, Treasurer - 805 Congregational House, Boston, Mass.

Receipts, April, 1917

ARIZONA—

Dragoon: S., 1.65. **Stronghold:** S., 1. **Service:** 10. Total, $12.65.

CALIFORNIA (Northern)—

Berkeley: First, 29.70; W. M. S., 5.40. **Ceres:** First W. M. S., 30c. **Eureka:** W. M. S., 30c. **Fresno:** Pilgrim W. M. S., 60c. **Giant:** S., 2.35. **Grass Valley:** W. M. S., 15c; Maryland rd. S., 70c. **Likely:** W. M. S., 4c. **Mill Valley:** W. M. S., 16c. **Murphy's:** W. M. S., 4c. **Niles:** 1.06; W. M. S., 20c. **Oakland:** First W. M. S., 12.30; Calvary W. M. S., 60c; Pilgrim W. M. S., 1.28; Fruitvale Av., 96c; W. M. S., 17c; Plymouth W. M. S., 2.16; Boulevard W. M. S., 30c; Olivet 18c; Olivet W. M. S., 3c. **Oroville:** W. M. S., 27c. **Pacific Grove:** 4.54; W. M. S., 82c. **Petaluma:** 1.40. **Porterville:** 33c; W. M. S., 66c. **Redwood City:** 4.13; W. M. S., 75c. **Sacramento:** 4.13; W. M. S., 1.65. **San Francisco:** Bethany, 1. **San Juan:** W. M. S., 6c. **San Lorenzo:** 2.38. **San Rafael:** W. M. S., 8c. **Saratoga:** W. M. S., 1.08. **Sebastopol:** W. M. S., 33c. **Sonoma:** W. M. S., 60c. **Stockton:** W. M. S., 1.50. **Sunnyvale:** W. M. S., 3c. **Service:** 3.50. **For Supplies:** 10c. Total, $88.32 of which $31.86 is received through W. H. M. U.

CALIFORNIA (Southern)—

Daggett: S., 2.41. **Orangethorpe:** S., 1.25. **Rosamond:** S., 2.20. Total, $5.86.

COLORADO—

Denver: North, 2.50. **Greeley:** 11.25. **Montrose:** 3.60. Total, $17.35.

CONNECTICUT—

Bridgeport: United, 107.52; S., 25.64; Black Rock, 5. **Hartford:** South, 10; Asylum Hill, 35. **Middlefield:** 1.48. **Milford:** Plymouth, 2.45. **New Haven:** First, 100; United, 50; Redeemer, 17.47. **Norwich:** Second, 3.53. **Old Lyme:** 2.92. **Old Saybrook:** 3.08. **Putnam:** Second, 6.17. **Shelton:** 3. **Simsbury:** 6.28. **Wallingford:** 40. Total, $419.54.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—

Washington: Ingram Mem'l., 4.95.

FLORIDA—

Ormond: 10.

GEORGIA—

Colerain: S., 1.

IDAHO—

Hope: 3.50.

ILLINOIS—

Abingdon: 4.50. **Amboy:** 77c. **Atkinson:** W. M. S., 1. **Aurora:** New England, 10. **Chicago:** Leavitt St. W. M. S., 4.50; New England W. M. S., 3.75; New First, 8.59; South W. A., 2; Summerdale W. M. S., 1; University W. M. S., 2; Warren Av., 5.80; Wellington Av. W. M. S., 2; West Pullman W. M. S., 2. **Dundee:** W. M. S., 1.90. **Elgin:** 15. **Evanston:** W. M. S., 20. **LaGrange:** 20. **Melvin:** W. M. S., 1. **Mendon:** W. M. S., 3. **Moline:** First, 6.75; W. M. S., 3; Second, 5.08. **Morris:** S., 60c. **Mound City:** W. M. S., 1. **Oak Park:** First W. M. S., 24.50; Y. L. S., 3. **Paxton:** 2.06. **Pecatonica:** S., 2; W. M. S., 1. **Peoria:** Union, 1.50. **Winnetka:** 27.35. **Wythe:** 1. Total, $187.65, of which $78.65 is received through W. H. M. U.

INDIANA—

Fort Wayne: Plymouth, 9. **Indianapolis:** First, 88c. Total, $9.98.

IOWA—

Bondurant: W. M. S., 84c. **Cedar Falls:** 7.23; W. M. S., 8.70. **Clinton:** 2.89. **Council Bluffs:** First W. M. S., 1.04. **Davenport:** Edwards, 4.72. **Des Moines:** Plymouth W. M. S., 1.50; Greenwood, 1.60. **Elkader:** 3.50. **Fort Dodge:** S., 10. **Grinnell:** 20.55; W. M. S., 10.70. **Iowa Falls:** W. M. S., 5.96. **Luzerne:** 1. **McGregor:** 2.80. **Marshalltown:** W. M. S., 2.08. **Miles:** W. M. S., 1.56. **Monticello:** 3.75. **Moville:** 75c. **Newell:** W. M. S., 2.17. **Oskaloosa:** 2.59. **Shell Rock:** 23c. **Sioux City:** First W. M. S., 16.73. **Victor:** 1; W. M. S., 1.75. **Washta:** W. M. S., 2. Total, $117.64, of which $55.03 is received through W. H. M. U.

KANSAS—

McPherson: W. M. S., 10. **Maple Hill:** W. M. S., 1. **Paola:** 3.50. **Wichita:** College Hill W. M. S., 2. Total, $16.50, of which $13.00 is received through W. H. M. U.

MAINE—

Auburn: Sixth St., 1.12. **Brewer:** First, 2.14. **Dexter:** W. M. S., 24c. **Lewiston:** 8. **Portland:** High St. W. M. S., 1.07; Bethel, 5; State St. W. M. S., 64c; Woodfords, 5.35; W. M. S., 6.46. **South Berwick:** 5. **South Portland:** Bethany W. M. S., 20c. Total, $35.22, of which $8.61 is received through W. H. M. U.

MASSACHUSETTS—

Belchertown: 3.25. **Boston:** Central, Jamaica Plain, 50; Boylston, Jamaica Plain, 1.83; Baker, East, 1.10. **Buckland:** S., 6. **Cambridge:** Pilgrim, 10.56. **Chicopee:** Second, 8.28. **Dedham:** 3.93. **Dennis:** South S., 1. **Granby:** 2.15. **Greenfield:** Second, 11. **Hadley:** First, 1.25. **Haverhill:** Center, 7.79; Riverside Mem'l., 2. **Holden:** 3.12. **Holyoke:** Second, 50. **Medford:** Mystic, 6.30. **Merrimac:** 2.36. **Newburyport:** Belleville, 4.86. **Northampton:** First, 15.36. **Northbridge:** Whitinsville S., 108.16. **Quincy:** Bethany, 8.96. **Somerset:** 1.20. **Somerville:** Broadway, 7.65; Highland, 8. **South Hadley:** 8.25. **Springfield:** First, 18.31. **Waltham:** First, 5.50. **Webster:** 7. **Wellesley Hills:** 17.26. **West Springfield:** Mittineague, 3.20. **West Stockbridge:** Center, 2.10. **Whitman:** 4.93. **Worcester:** Union, 5.97; Piedmont, 43. **W. H. M. A. of Mass & R. I.:** 220. Total, $662.23 of which $220 is received through W. H. M. A.

MICHIGAN—

Grand Haven: 5. **Hartland:** 1.50. **Rochester:** 20c. Total, $6.70.

MINNESOTA—

Belview: W. M. S., 37c. **Big Lake:** W. M. S., 98c. **Birchdale:** W. M. S., 50c. **Brainerd:** W. M. S., 1.05. **Cannon Falls:** First, 1.27. **Fairmont:** 1.51. **Hutchinson:** W. M. S., 1.40. **International Falls:** 22c. **Lake City:** First, 63c. **Mankato:** First W. M. S., 21c. **Mapleton:** 25c. **Marietta:** 25c. **Medford:** W. M. S., 50c. **Minneapolis:** First W. M. S., 6.37; Plymouth, 37.40; Park Av., 2.11; Pilgrim, 3.32; W. M. S., 3.07; Lyndale, 3.85; Fifth Av., 2.93; W. M. S., 2.10; Lowry Hill W. M. S., 5.60; Lynnhurst, 45c; Morningside W. M. S., 50c. **Moorhead:** 1.92. **New York Mills:** 54c. **Northfield:** 18. **Rochester:** W. M. S., 3.02. **St. Paul:** Olivet, 6.75; South Park W. M. S., 45c; University Av., 1.64; Hazel Park, 40c. **Sauk Rapids:** W. M. S., 63c. **Wayzata:** W. M. S., 52c. **Winona:** First W. M. S., 10.50. Total, $121.21 of which $37.77 is received through W. H. M. U.

MISSOURI—

St. Louis: Pilgrim, 5.

MONTANA—

Broadview: 70c. **Circle:** 3.17. **Fort Shaw:** S., 2. **Lake Basin:** 85c. **Medicine Lake:** 2.12. **Merino:** 1. Total, $9.84.

NEBRASKA—

Brewster: 3.25. **Center:** 2.25. **Havelock:** 2.50. **Hyannis:** 6.33. **Monroe:** German, 50c. **Moulton:** S., 1.50. **Scribner:** 10.50. Total, $26.83.

NEW HAMSHIRE—

Amherst: 1.65. **Boscawen:** Penacook W. M. S., 1.48. **Franklin:** W. M. S., 1.40. **Hampton:** W. M. S., 1.54. **Hancock:** W. M. S., 21c. **Hanover:** First W. M. S., 2.80. **Hinsdale:** W. M. S., 2.10. **Keene:** First, 12.60. **Kingston:** W. M. S., 28c. **Lancaster:** 2.58. **Lee:** W. M. S., 35c. **Manchester:** South Main St. W. M. S., 1.05. **Mason:** W. M. S., 36c. **Milford:** W. M. S., 21c. **Rye:** W. M. S., 1.79. **Stratham:** W. M. S., 47c. **Sullivan:** East W. M. S., 1.23. **Walpole:** 4.10. **Warner:** W. M. S., 70c. **Wilton:** W. M. S., 14c. Total, $37.04 of which $16.11 is received through W. H. M. U.

NEW JERSEY—

Egg Harbor City: 3. **Montclair:** First, 50; Upper, 50. **Nutley:** 3.82. **Patterson:** Auburn St., 4. **Westfield:** S., 5. Total, $115.82.

NEW YORK—

Arcade: 3.50; S., 75c. **Binghamton:** East Side, 1. **Burrville:** S., 1. **Candor:** 35c. **Kingston:** 1.50. **New York:** Lewis Av., 9. **Watertown:** 1.36. Total, $18.46.

NORTH DAKOTA—

Beulah: 3.32. **Dogden:** 2. **Drake:** 5. **Foxholm:** 1. **Haynes:** 2.50. **Medora:** S., 2.93. **Parshall:** 1. Total, $17.75.

OHIO—

Akron: First W. M. S., 9; West W. M. S., 2.16. **Amherst:** Second, 90c. **Ashtabula:** First W. G., 1.80; Second M. S., 68c. **Atwater:** S., 36c. **Austinburg:** W. M. S., 23c. **Burton:** W. M. S., 45c. **Castalia:** L. W. S., 63c. **Ceylon:** W. M. S., 9c. **Chillicothe:** 27c. **Cincinnati:** Walnut Hills, 14.95; W. M. S., 1.53. **Claridon:** S., 1.08; W. M. S., 47c. **Cleveland:** First W. A., 2.88; Euclid Av. W. M. S., 11.25; Y. L., 2.25; Park S., 1.08; W. A., 1.69; C. E., 23c; Highland K. D. Circle, 45c; Bethel C. E., 27c. **Columbus:** Plymouth, 15; South W. S., 99c; Grandview Heights, 6.25. **Conneaut:** W. M. S., 5.85. **Coolville:** W. M. S., 54c. **East Cleveland:** East W. A., 1.58. **Elyria:** First, 11.72; Second W. M. S., 2.50. **Ireland:** S., 18c. **Jefferson:** S., 90c; W. M. S., 86c. **Lorain:** First W. A., 3.15. **Mount Vernon:** M. S., 2.25. **Newark:** Plymouth S., 59c; W. A., 68c; P. C., 25c. **Oberlin:** Second W. M. S., 4.50. **Painsville:** First W. A., 45c. **Plain:** W. M. S., 45c. **Rock Creek:** C. G., 34c. **Rootstown:** L. A. S., 2.25. **Toledo:** Second J. M. C., 1.80; Washington St., 6.33; Plymouth S., 25c. **Vermilion:** L. M. S., 36c. **Wayne:** W. M. S., 41c. **Wellington:** S., 45c. **Windham:** H. H. S., 56c. **Youngstown:** Elm St. W. M. S., 90c. **Service:** 1. Total, $128.04 of which $72.77 is received through W. H. M. U.

OKLAHOMA—

Chickasha: W. M. S., 80c. **Goltry:** W. M. S., 4.50. **Hennessey:** S., 70c; W. M. S., 90c. **Hillsdale:** 4.35; W. M. S., 1. **Medford:** W. M. S., 3.30. **Oklahoma City:** Pilgrim, 27; W. M. S., 6.60; Chapel W. M. S., 1. **Weatherford:** 5; W. M. S., 2.75. Total, $57.90 of which $21.55 is received through W. H. M. U.

OREGON—

Friend: Eagle Point, 1.50.

RHODE ISLAND—

Providence: Free Evang., 1.98.

SOUTH DAKOTA—

Aberdeen: 2.37. **Canova:** 5. **Lebanon:** 1.12. **Texam:** 85c. **White River:** 39c. Total, $9.73.

TEXAS—

Spring Lake: S., 6.57.

VERMONT—

Bennington: North, 8.21. **Newbury:** 22. **Poultney:** East, 2. **Townshend:** West, 1. **Whiting:** 2.55. **Wilder:** 3.70. Total, $39.46.

WASHINGTON—

East Meadowdale: S., 1.70. **Lyle:** 1.73. **Seattle:** Plymouth H. D., 3.32; Green Lake, 3.25; Queen Ann, Friend, 55c. **Tacoma:** McKinley S., 2.55. Total, $13.10.

WISCONSIN—

Grants of Literature: 61.67.

WYOMING—

Big Horn: 1.50. **Buffalo:** C. & S., 1.68. **Cheyenne:** 51c. **Dayton:** 1.50. **Green River:** 2.20. **Lander:** 3.93. **Sheridan:** 2.23. **Superior:** 62c. **Worland:** 6.67. Total, $20.84.

Total for the month, $2,291.73, of which $555.35 is received through W. H. M. U.